

EVERYTHING I NEEDED TO KNOW ABOUT

COMPRESSED AIR CARS

I LEARNED FROM *HEM AND AMY*

...also known as...

GAS BUGGIES

1926 – 1927

by Frank Hemensley Beck



Having Fun at the Expense of Air Car Inventors

A daily cartoon strip about an inventor who wants to get rich with an air car? About a self-fueling air car with a self-filling air tank? Who would think of such a thing, and why 1927?

The social and technological environment that Frank Beck wrote for was ripe for this sort of thing. Technology was exploding and everyone wanted to be the next Edison or Bell. Cars were suddenly everywhere so naturally the common complaint became the cost of paying for their fuel and upkeep. Back East especially, and most especially in the oil and coal fields of western Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia, trains were everywhere and everyone knew a brakeman or lived next door to one. Compressed air was essential to both hauling coal in mines and stopping big trains; without compressed air, the technological blossoming of the late 1920s would not have happened in the way that it did.

Frank Hemensley Beck lived in Tacoma, Washington and so did the cartoon character “Hem” that he named after himself. Hem’s creator was a perceptive individual and the appeal of his comics is that he saw all sides of things and made fun of literally everyone. The fact that he appears to be scalding his poor namesake daily for wanting to build self-fueling air cars doesn’t mean that he necessarily was belittling the idea or the many inventors who were trying to make it work back then. I don’t know but my guess is that Hem’s creator was sympathetic with his character’s cause—why else would he have given him his name? And cartoonist Frank H. Beck’s own foibles might have found their way into his character’s feisty, impractical and grandiose temerament. I am only guessing as I have not been to the library where his papers are stored to read his correspondence. I don’t know what Beck was like except that he was a stable family man.

I do know that the oil and gas industry was not interested in competition; it goes without saying. And we know that Frank Beck was aware that censorship could happen to him (and that could threaten his financial stability). I believe that he carefully crafted his 12-month focus on self-filling air tanks to appear as if he were ridiculing the whole idea and anyone who would try it, in order to avoid trouble from the powers that were becoming. At the same time I can guarantee you that every wanna-be air car inventor in America in 1926 and 1927 turned to the funny pages first when the paper arrived each day, to see what their hero Hem was up to next. Especially the father of the self-fueling air car, the elderly Louis Kiser of Decatur, Illinois, must have looked forward to the daily goading from a cartoon strip that he probably both loved and hated. The boy who delivered his Decatur Herald must have gotten an earful or two. I can hear it now: “Did I tell you I was the inventor of the New York Air Brake...”

My biased opinion is that Frank Beck *wanted* to motivate inventors to try harder and come up with something that could compete against the noisy, dirty, gas-gulping money eaters that were filling the landscape and becoming the be-all and end-all of modern life. He had to frame it as a hearty teasing of a die-hard dreamer to avoid being edited off the page, but I can only gauge his intentions by the effect that Hem & Amy’s exploits have on me: despite Hem’s many goofs and delusions, his good intentions make me want to get out in the garage and try again. Like all good humorists, Frank Beck knew a lot about human nature, and he knew what it was like to be a grandiose, temperamental dreamer or he could not have written so accurately about one.

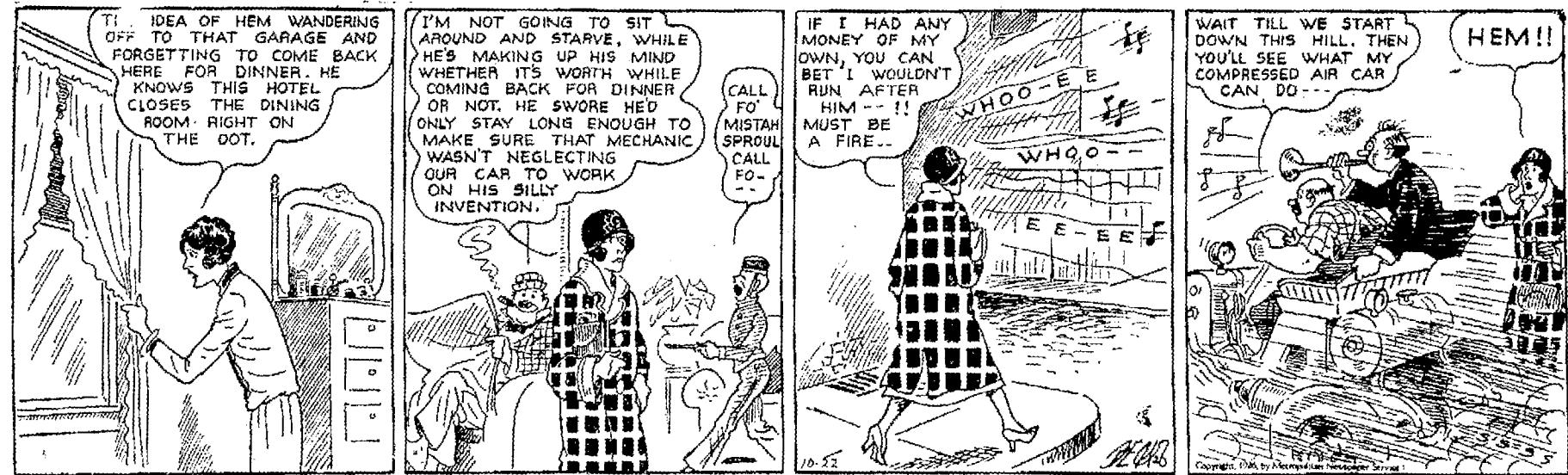
Where he got this information I haven’t got a clue; but if he was writing about himself then I can only guess, based on my own experience of reading this comic strip, that he was writing about me and you too.

Mr. Aircar
Wanna-be airhead since 1969

Gas Buggies (Hem and Amy) by Frank Beck

October 22, 1926
Hamilton Journal

GAS BUGGIES

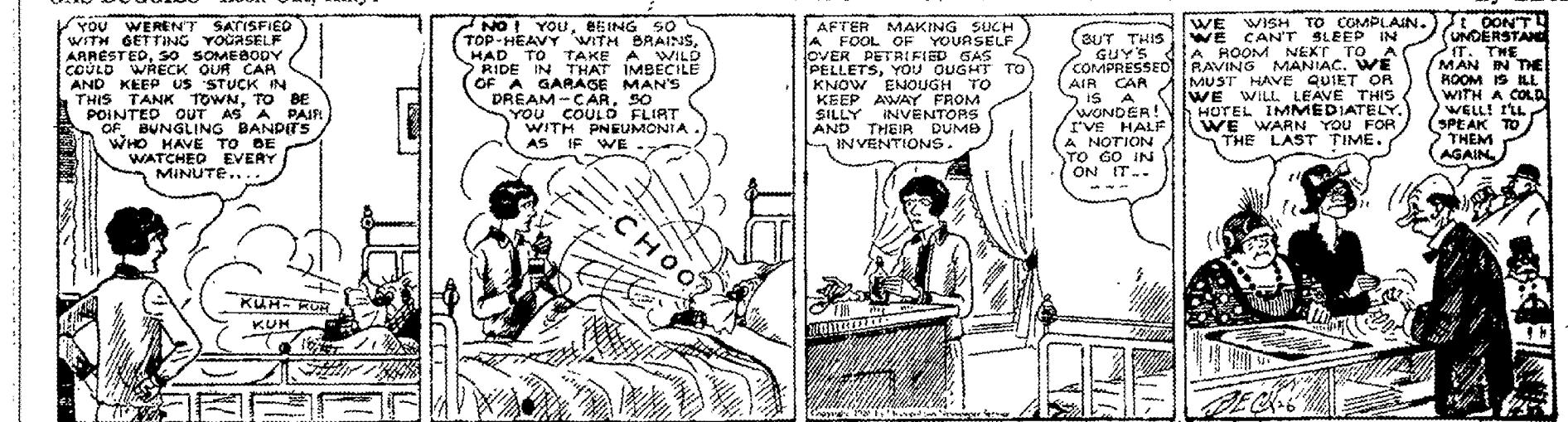


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Portsmouth Daily Times

GAS RUGGIES



October 26, 1926

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GAS BUGGIES



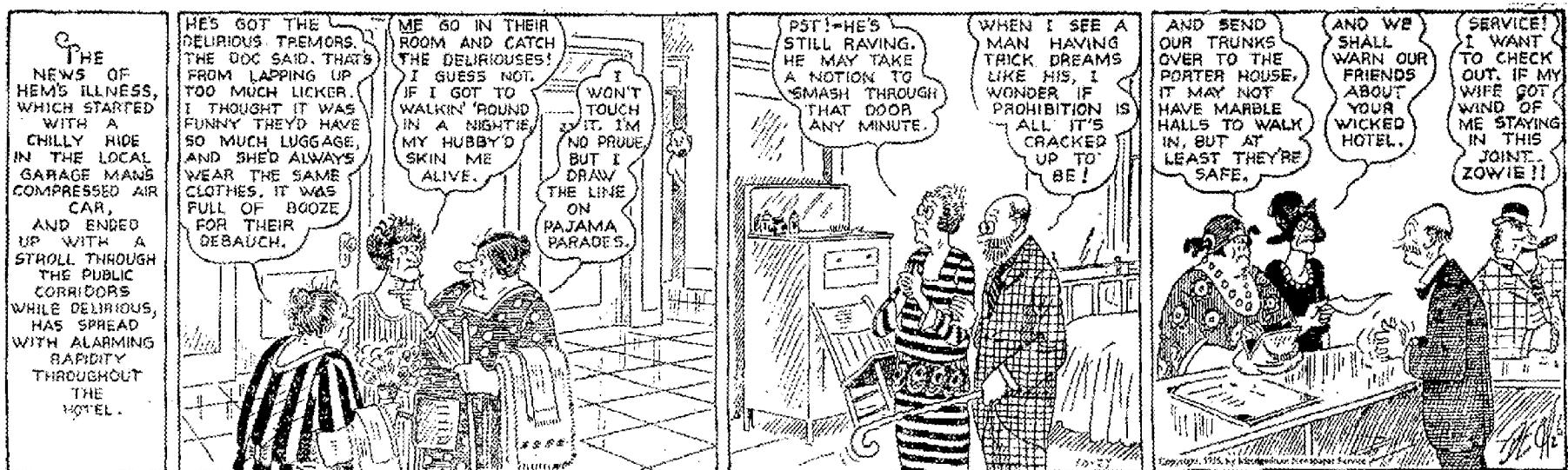
Sweet Dreams



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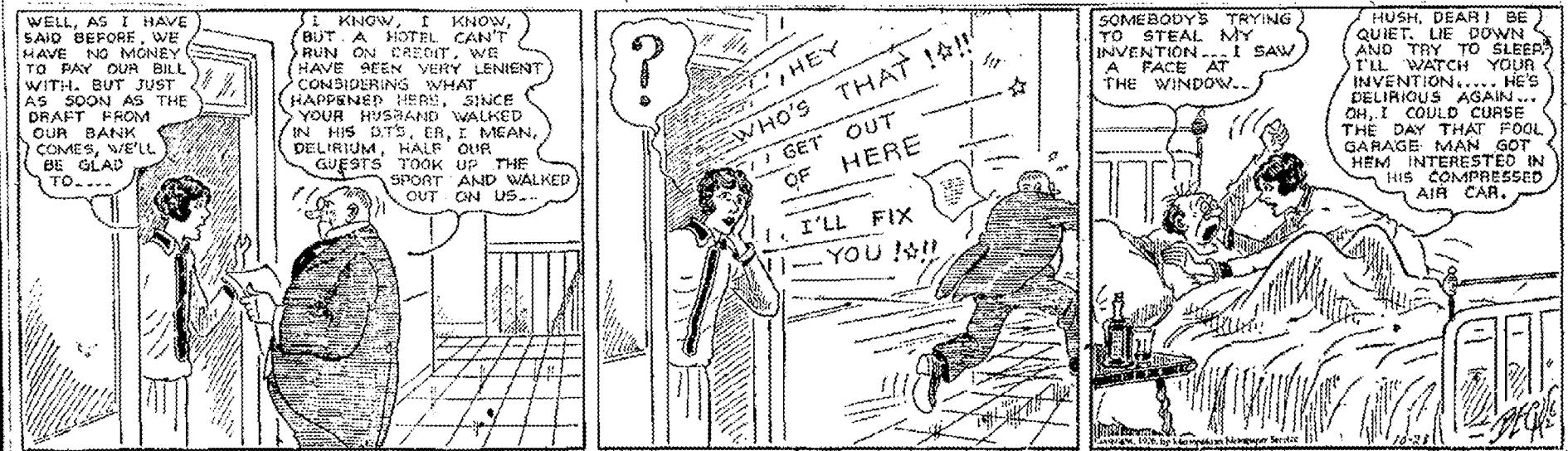


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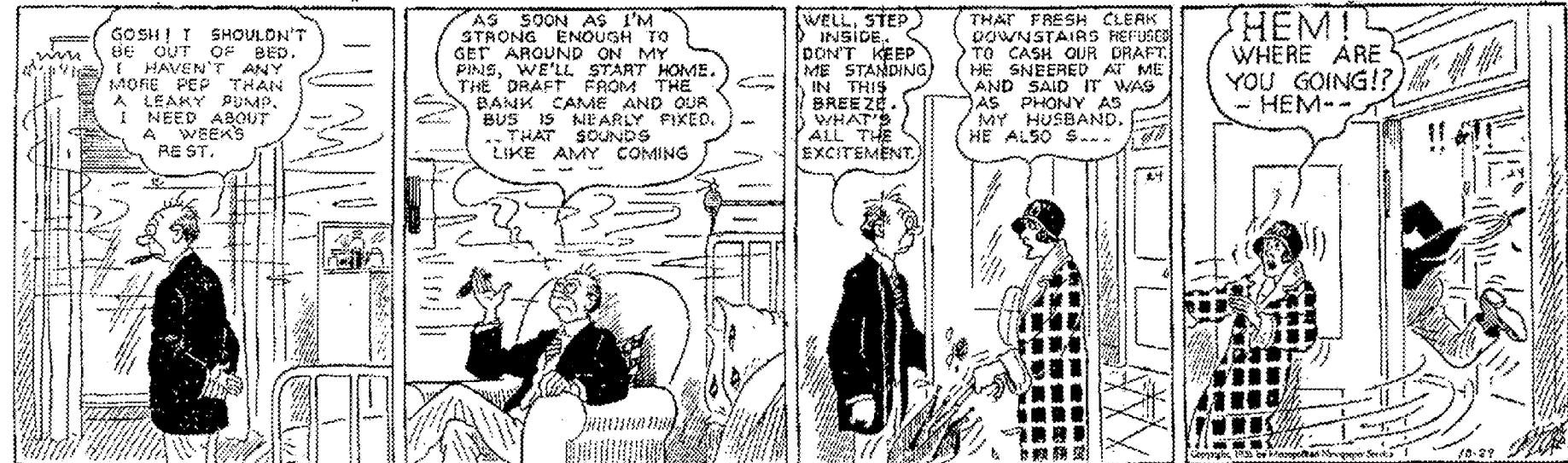
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GAS BUGGIES

The Right Cure



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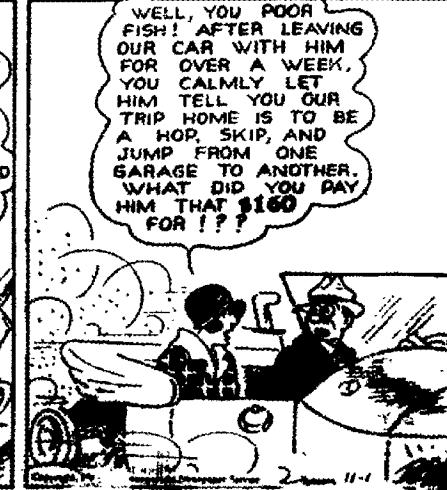
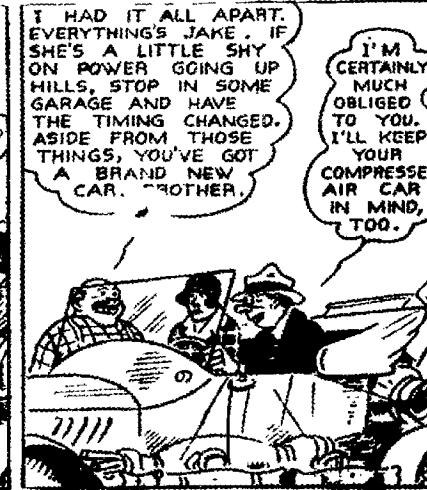
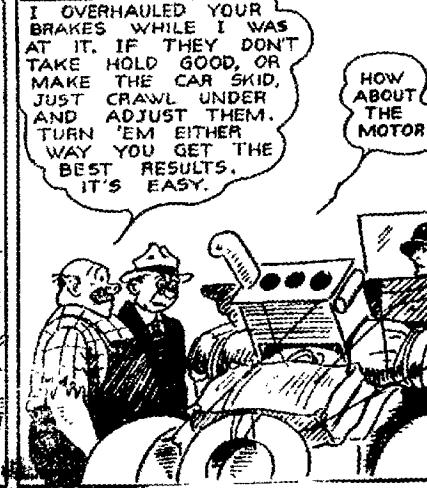
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The Big If

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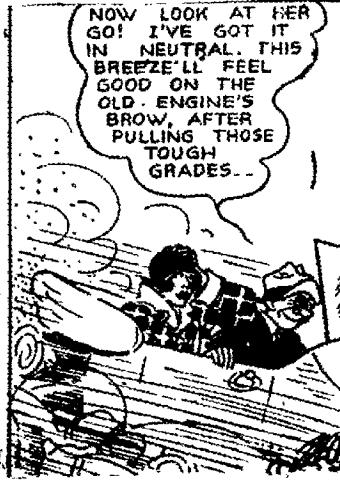
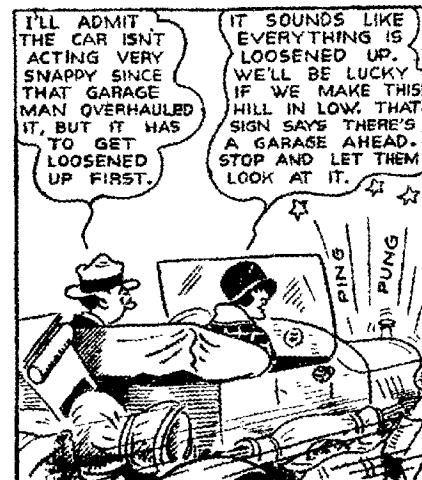
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A Stitch In Time

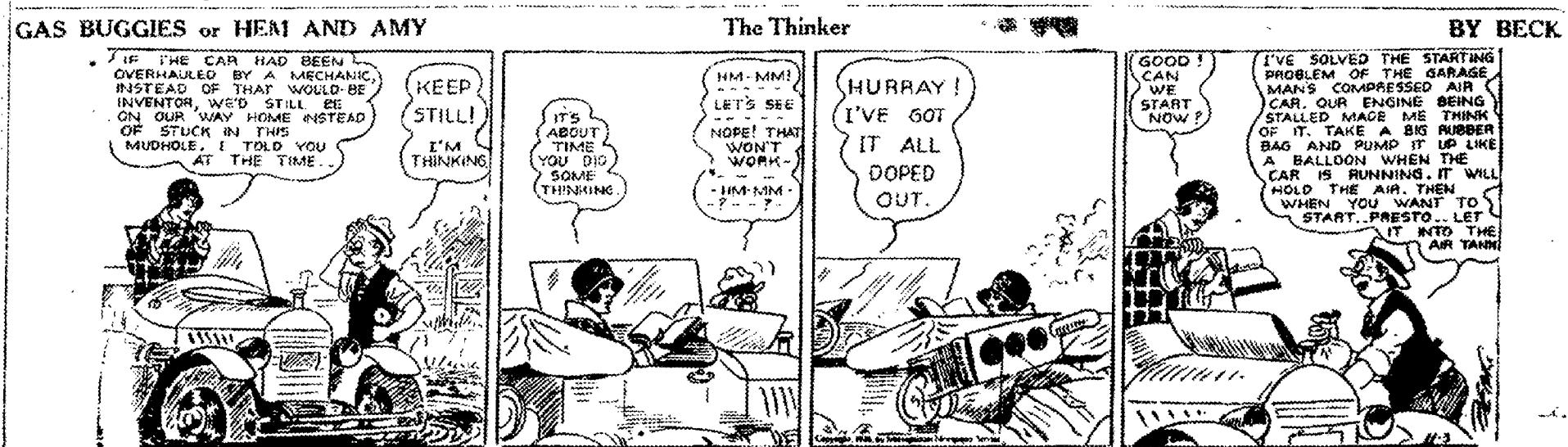
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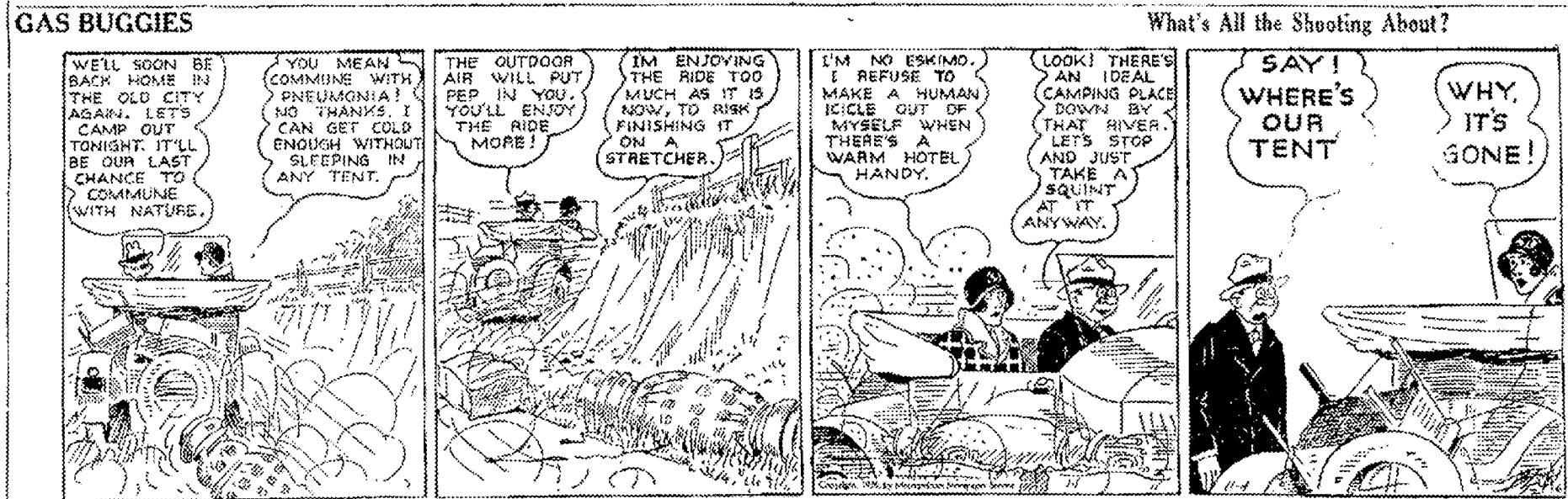
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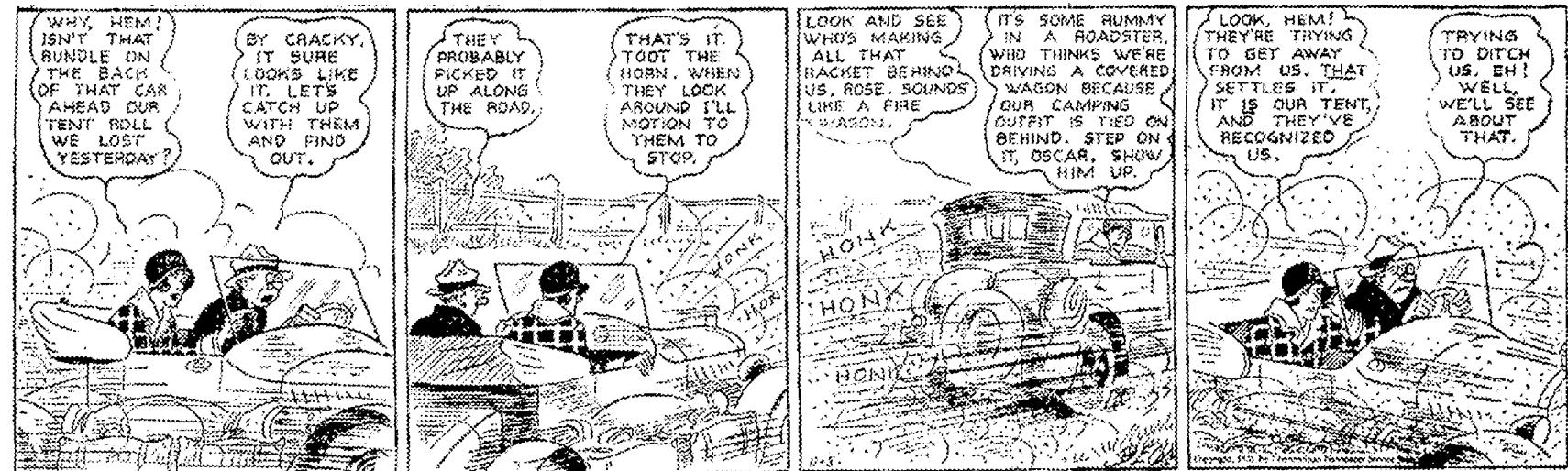


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November 5, 1926
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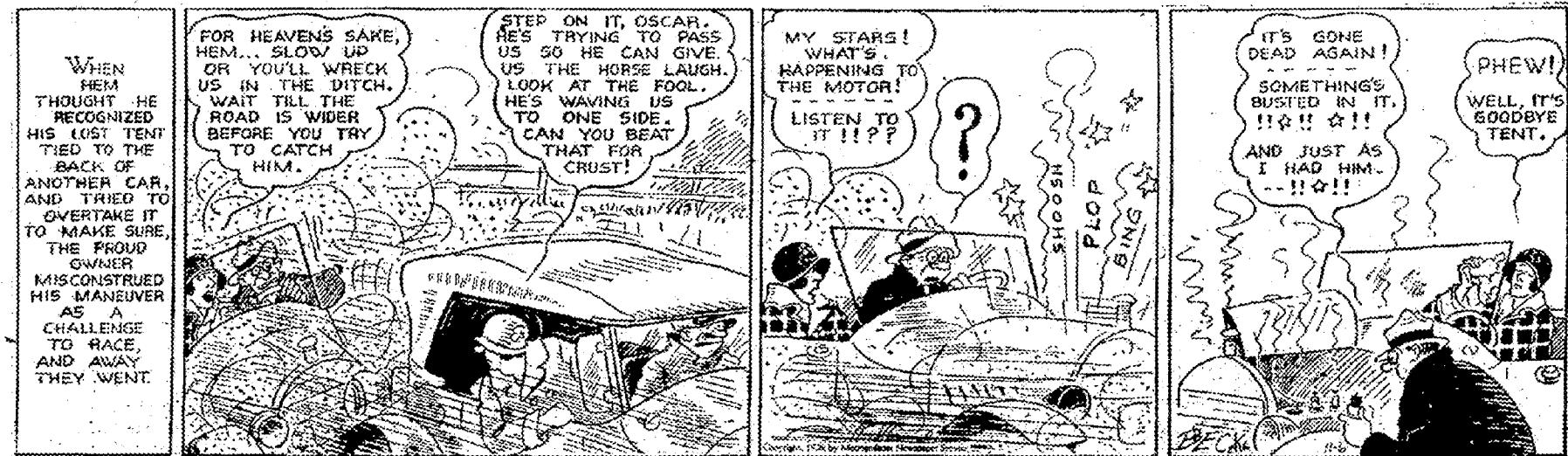
They're Off



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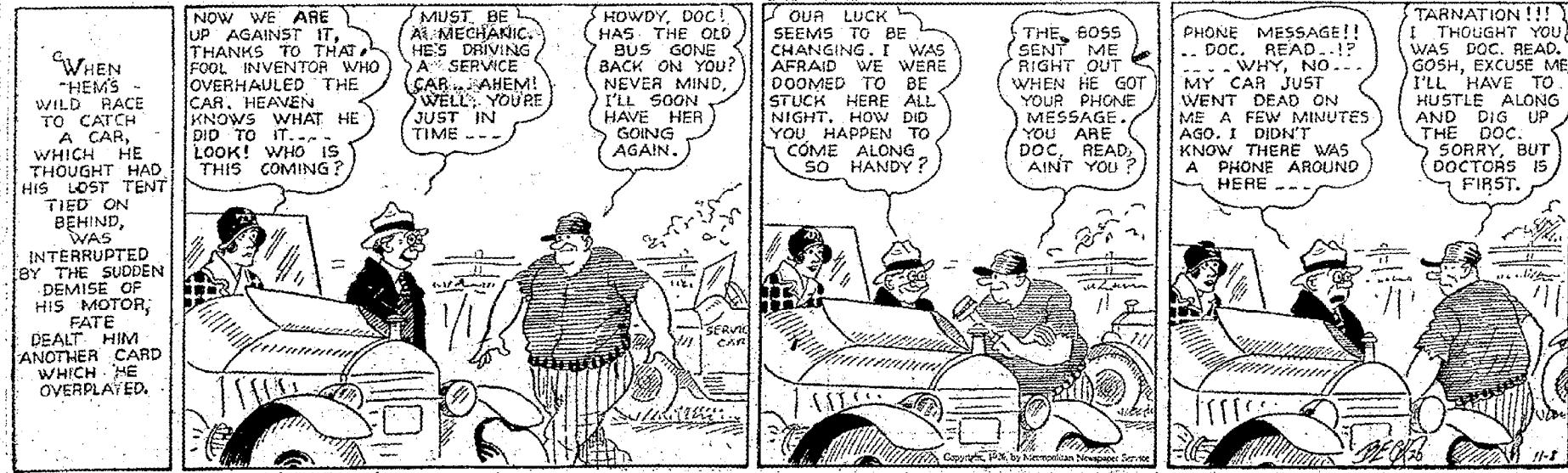
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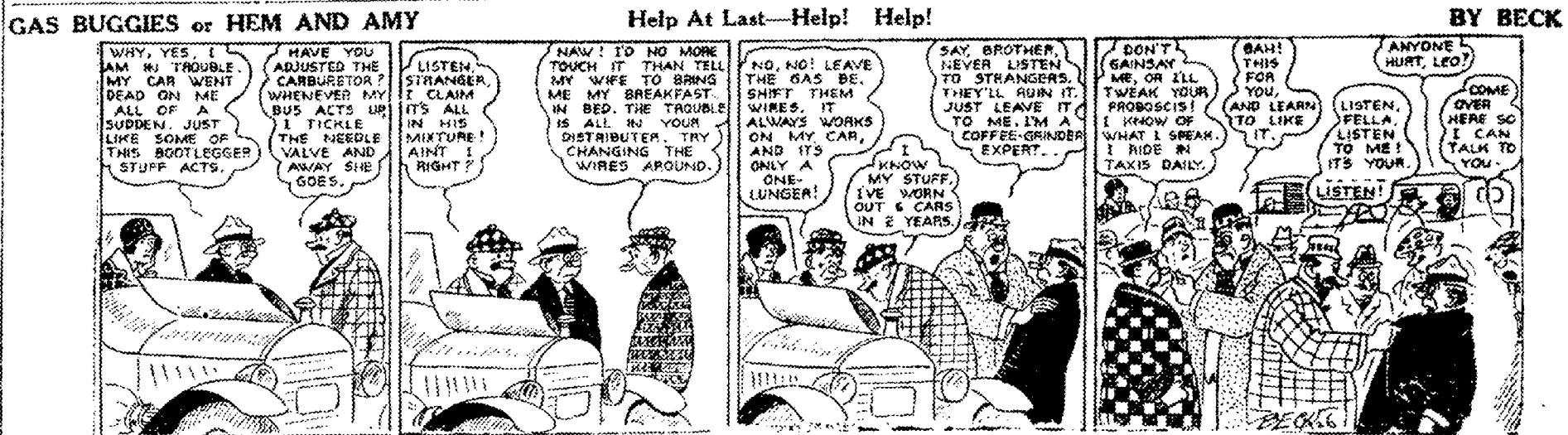
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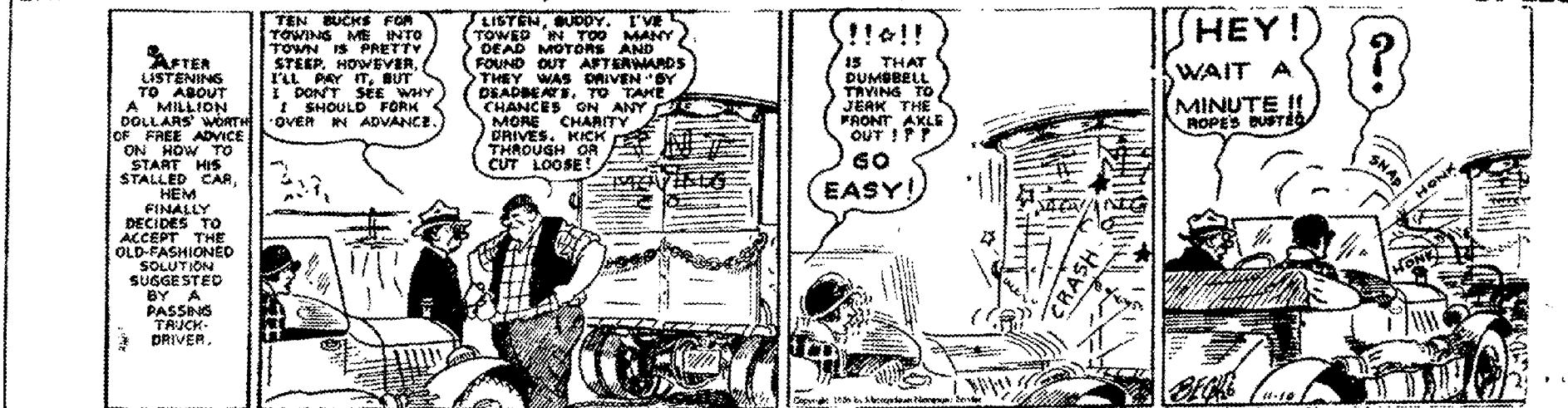
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At the End of His Rope

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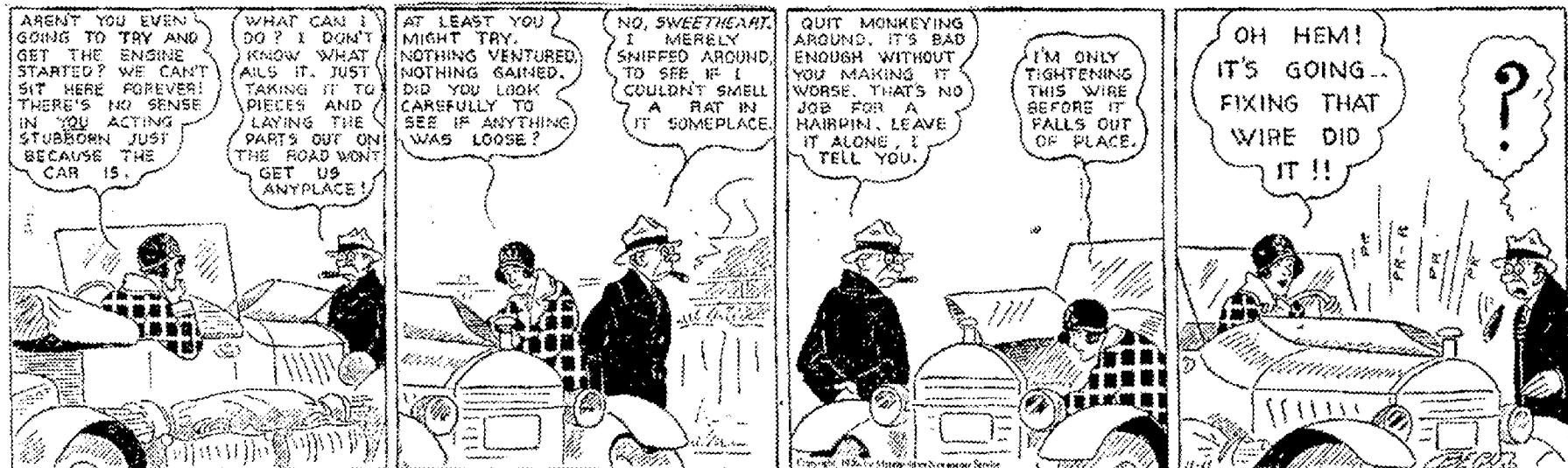


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Ain't Women Curious

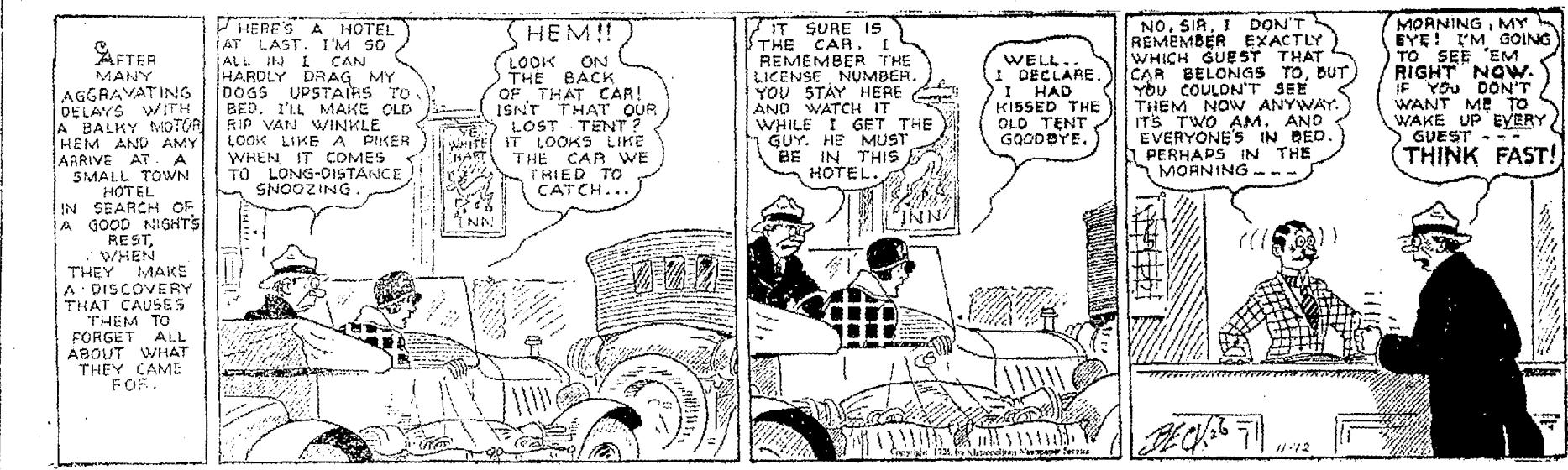


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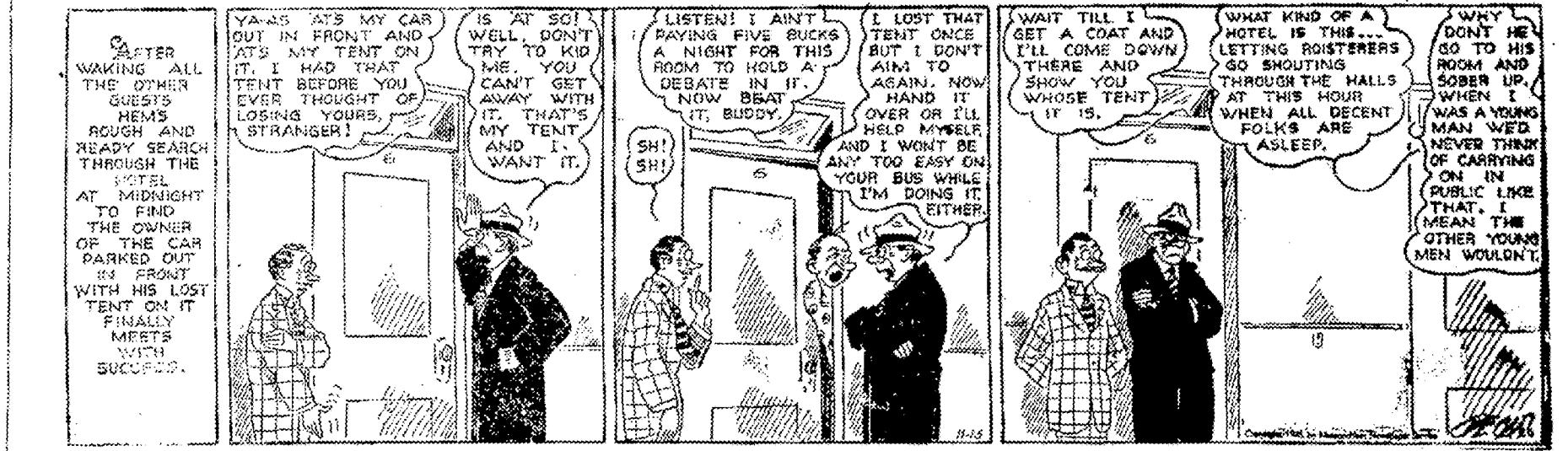


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November 15, 1926
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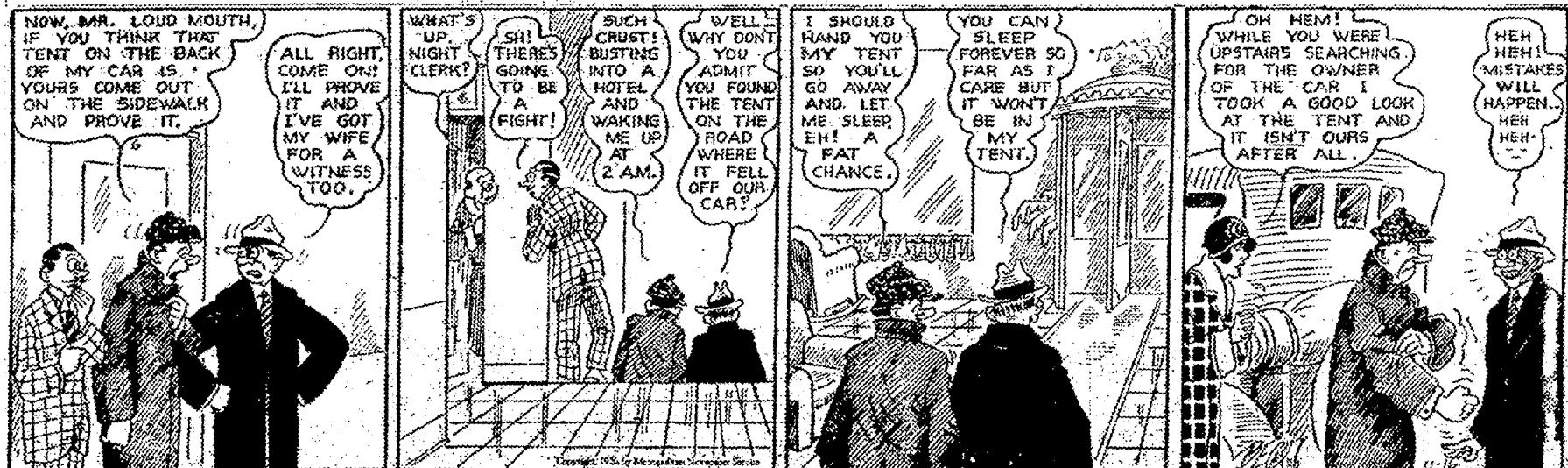
Hunting Up Trouble



November 16, 1926
Daily Herald

GAS BUGGIES

By FRANK BECK



Gas Buggies (Hem and Amy) by Frank Beck

November 17, 1926

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GAS BUGGIES or HEM AND AMY

IF YOU'D GONE INTO
THAT HOTEL QUIETLY,
LIKE A GENTLEMAN,
TO FIND THE OWNER
OF THAT CAR WE
THOUGHT HAD OUR
TENT STRAPPED ON
IT, THEY WOULDN'T
HAVE REFUSED US
A ROOM FOR
TONIGHT.

THEY DIDN'T
REFUSE US.
YOU HEARD
THE CLERGY
SAY THERE
WAS A BIG
PICKLEMENTY
CONVENTION
ON IN TOWN
AND EVERY
ROOM WAS
TAKEN.

HOW CAN YOU BE SO DUMB! OF COURSE THEY HAD EMPTY ROOMS. WHEN YOU WENT STAMPING THROUGH THE HALLS YELLING AT THE TOP OF YOUR VOICE AND WAKING EVERYBODY UP I NOTICED SEVERAL WINDOWS THAT NO LIGHTS APPEARED IN.

Rolling Along

HE SIMPLY DIDN'T WANT US AFTER THE UPROAR YOU MADE. NOW WELL HAVE TO SIT UP AND DRIVE ALL NIGHT. THERE ISN'T ANOTHER HOTEL ALONG HERE TILL WE REACH OLD HAVEN.

WELL...IT
ISN'T VERY
FAR AND IT'S
ONLY 3 AM
NOW. THERE
IS A SIGN
POST. GET
OUT THE
FLASHLIGHT
AND SEE
WHAT IT
SAYS.

BY BECK

November 18, 1926

Edwardsville Intelligencer

GAS BUGGIES or HEM AND AMY

AFTER
BEING REFUSED
ACCOMMODATIONS
AT THE HOTEL
WHERE HE
MADE SUCH
AN UPROAR
AND DRIVING
ALL NIGHT
LONG
HEM AND AMY
FEELING
LIKE A MAN
GOING DOWN
FOR THE THIRD
TIME
ARRIVE AT
OLD HAVEN
JUST AS THE
SUN IS
COMING
UP.

"I'M GOING
TO A HOTEL
AND GO TO
BED. I'M ALL
IN FROM
DRIVING. I'VE
BEEN AT THE
WHEEL FOR
TWENTY-TWO
HOURS
STRAIGHT."

"OH LET'S
KEEP ON
GOING AND
TAKE
ADVANTAGE
OF THE
DAYLIGHT.
IT SEEMS
FOOLISH
TO GO TO

"YES, WE
CAN GET
A ROOM
HERE.
HOP OUT,
THEY'LL
PUT THE
CAR IN A
GARAGE
FOR US."

"I
STILL
FEEL SILLY
ABOUT GOING
TO BED IN
THE DAYTIME.
HOWEVER, IF
YOU'RE SO
DOD TIRED..."

Sleep My Little One

!!★!! * !!
CAN THAT
CONSTRUCTION
JOB !!*!!

TWO HOURS
GONE AND
STILL I'M
AWAKE -

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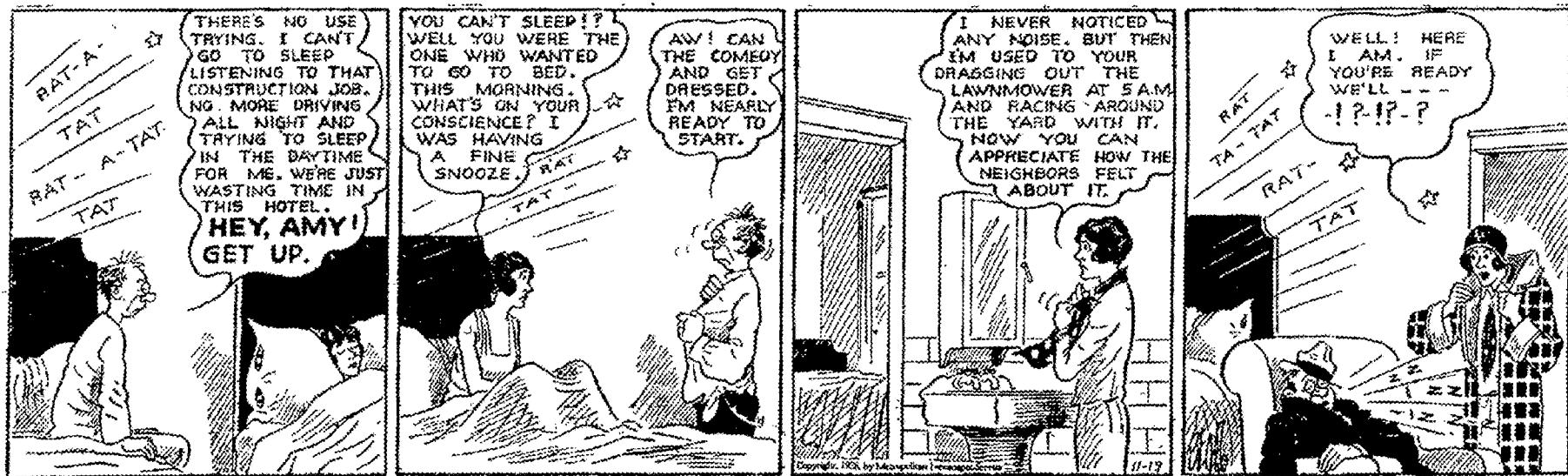
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GAS BUGGIES

By FRANK BECK



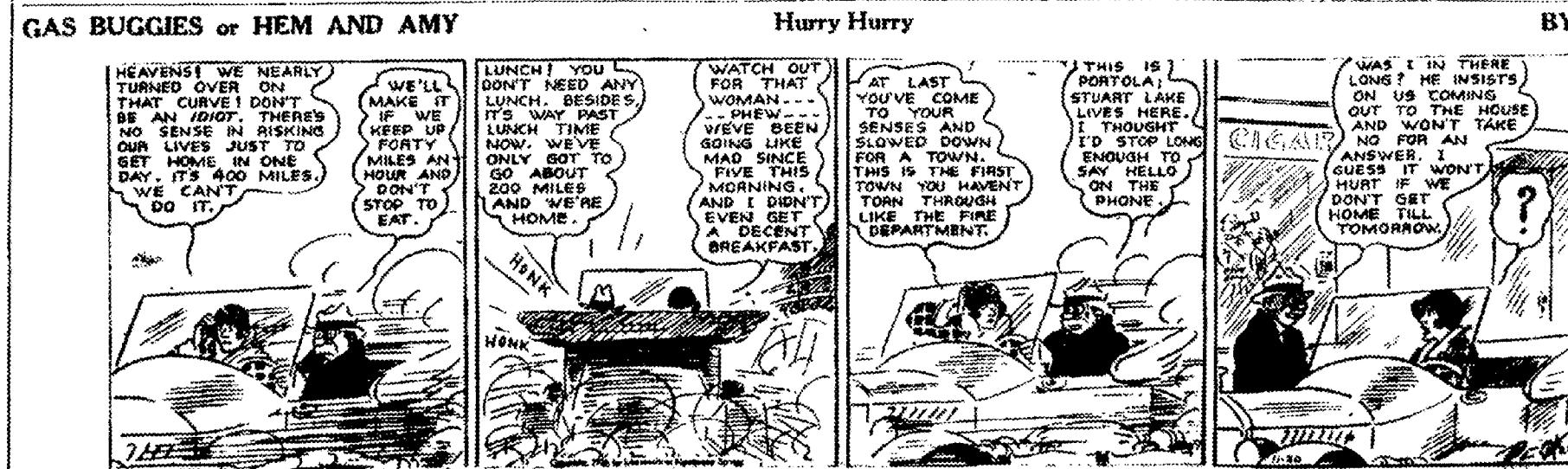
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GAS BUGGIES or HEM AND AMY

Hurry Hurry

BY BECK



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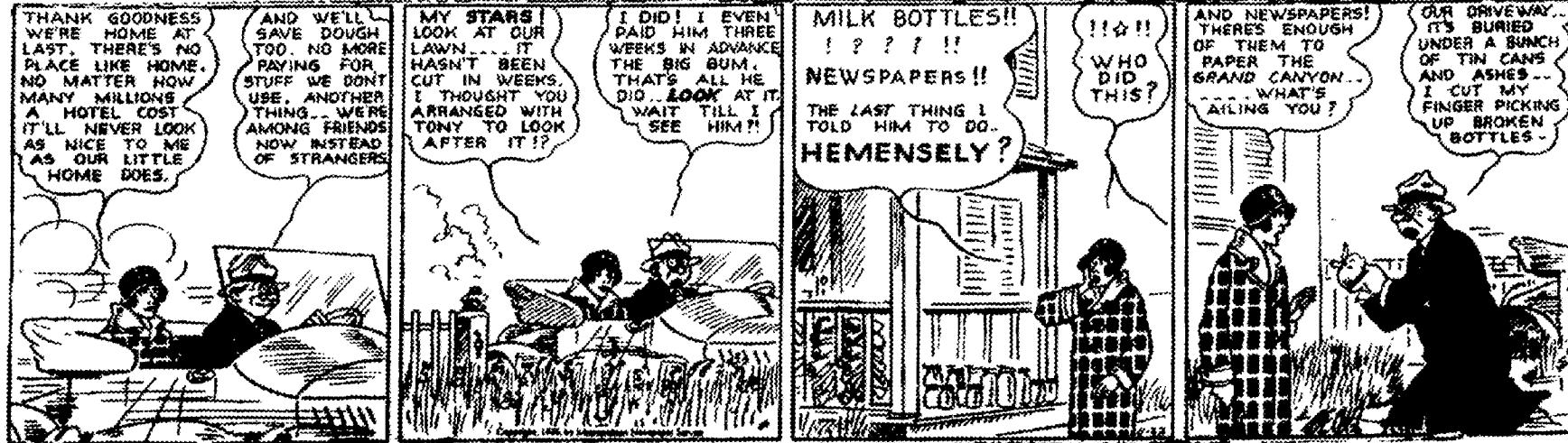
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GAS BUGGIES or HEM AND AMY

Be It Ever So Humble

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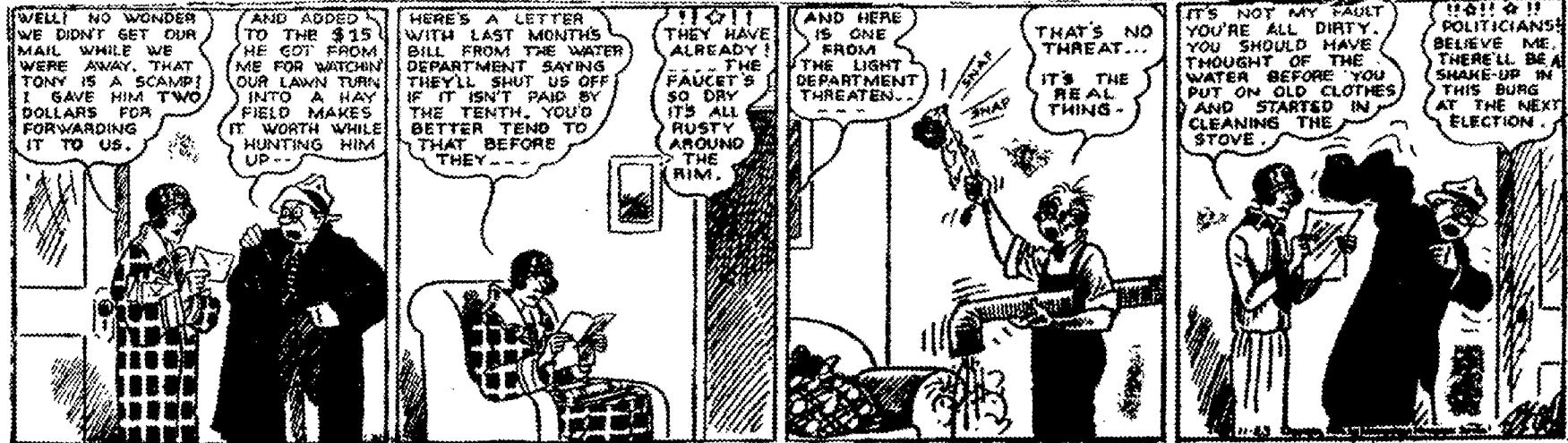
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GAS BUGGIES or HEM AND AMY

Let There Be Light

RY BECK



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November 24, 1926

Hamilton Journal

GAS BUGGIES

WHEN HEM AND AMY RETURNED FROM THEIR TOUR IT NOT ONLY ENDED THEIR VACATION BUT ALSO THAT OF THEIR NEIGHBORS WHO HAD BEEN ENJOYING THE PEACE AND QUIET OF THEIR ABSENCE.

I WAS LOOKING AT THE HAY FIELD THAT USED TO BE HEM'S LAWN WHEN I REMEMBERED A JOKE AND LAUGHED. WITH THAT HE SICKED ME IN THE EYE. IT'S NOT MY FAULT THAT TONY QUIT TAKING CARE OF HEM'S LAWN WHILE HEM WAS AWAY BECAUSE I HAPPENED TO OFFER HIM MORE DOUGH TO LOOK AFTER OURS.

HE'S A WILD BRUTE, EZRA. BUT OUR LAWYER WILL TAME HIM.

THEY'VE BEEN AWAY FOR MONTHS AND NATURALLY THE CHILDREN THOUGHT THE PLACE WAS VACANT AND PLAYED ON THE LAWN. THE GRASS GREW VERY HIGH. HE WAS TOO CHEAP TO HIRE ANYONE TO LOOK AFTER IT. AND TODAY IT CAUGHT FIRE WHILE THE BOYS WERE PLAYING WILD INDIAN. HUTHBURT, NOT BEING ABLE TO RUN, WAS CAUGHT BY HEM. WELL, I WISH YOU'D HEARD HIM SCREAM AT THE POOR CHILD!

S-ST
S-ST
S-ST

YOU SAY HEM CLAIMS WE THREW THE TIN CANS ON HIS PROPERTY DURING HIS ABSENCE AND HE WAS MERELY RETURNING THEM! BY GAD, I'D LIKE TO TROUNCE HIM, BUT WE MUST CONSIDER THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE CASE.

OH, YOU MAKE ME TIRED WITH YOUR LAW TALK. IF YOU WERE HALF A MAN, GIDDEON, PLUNK, YOUD THRASH HIM.

Welcome Home, Hem

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Hamilton Journal

GAS BUGGIES

AMY, DID YOU READ THIS ARTICLE ABOUT THE GUY WHO PICKED UP A FUNNY LOOKING POSTAGE STAMP AND STUCK IT IN HIS VEST POCKET? TEN YEARS LATER HE TOOK IT OUT AND SOLD IT FOR \$50,000.

WHO WAS HIS TAILOR? IF YOU'D BUY CLOTHES LIKE THAT YOU WOULDN'T BE GOING AROUND LOOKING AS THOUGH YOU RODE UNDER OUR CAR INSTEAD OF IN IT.

HERE'S A FELLOW WHO HAS DODGED OUT A WAY TO PATCH PUNCTURES WITHOUT STOPPING THE CAR. HE'S BEEN OFFERED \$2,000,000 FOR IT BY A TAXI COMPANY. THAT'S THE SORT OF THING I'D LIKE TO DO.

YOU'LL NEVER BE STRUCK BY THAT KING OF LIGHTNING SITTING AROUND IN THE HOUSE ALL DAY.

LISTEN, AMY. IN THIS BOOK, "SURE WAYS TO SUCCESS," IT SAYS: "YOU MUST SEEK SUCCESS. SUCCESS WILL NOT SEEK YOU." NOW THAT'S WH---

THOSE ARE MY SENTIMENTS EXACTLY!

THAT'S YOUR TROUBLE IN A NUTSHELL. YOU SIT AROUND HERE ALL DAY LONG HOPING A GOOD FAIRY WILL HAND YOU A MILLION DOLLARS, INSTEAD OF GOING OUT AND TRYING TO EARN IT.

ALL RIGHT I'M GOING OUT - BUT IF SOMEBODY CALLS UP TO OFFER ME A BIG PROPOSITION IT'LL BE YOUR FAULT THAT I AINT HERE TO TAKE IT.

Mark Time--Forward March

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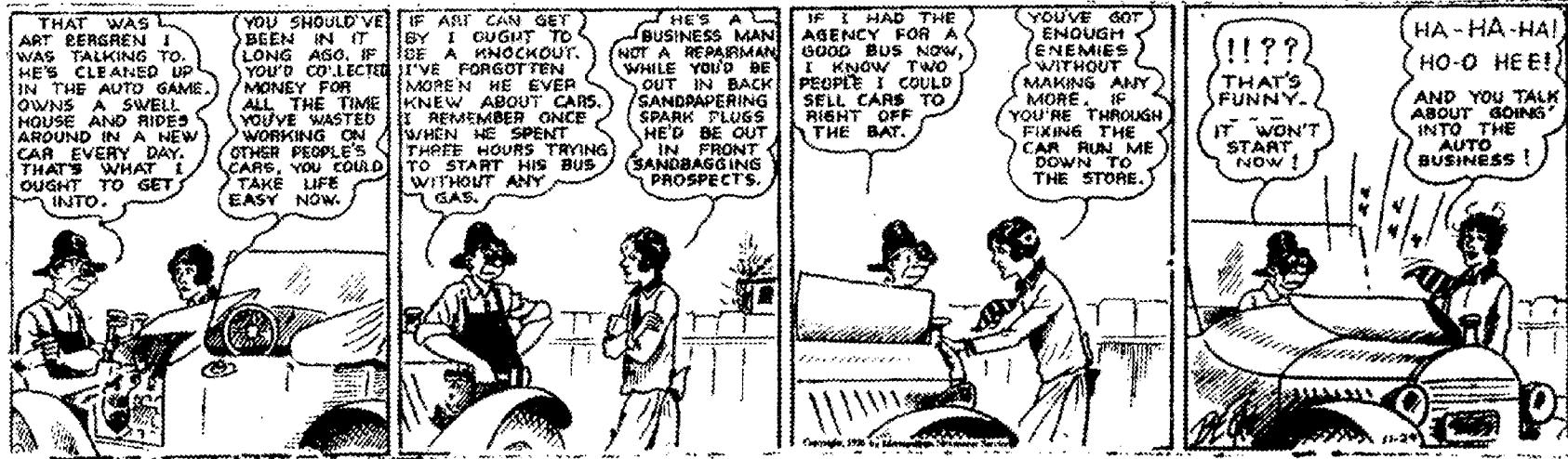
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It's Easier Said Than Done

BY BECK

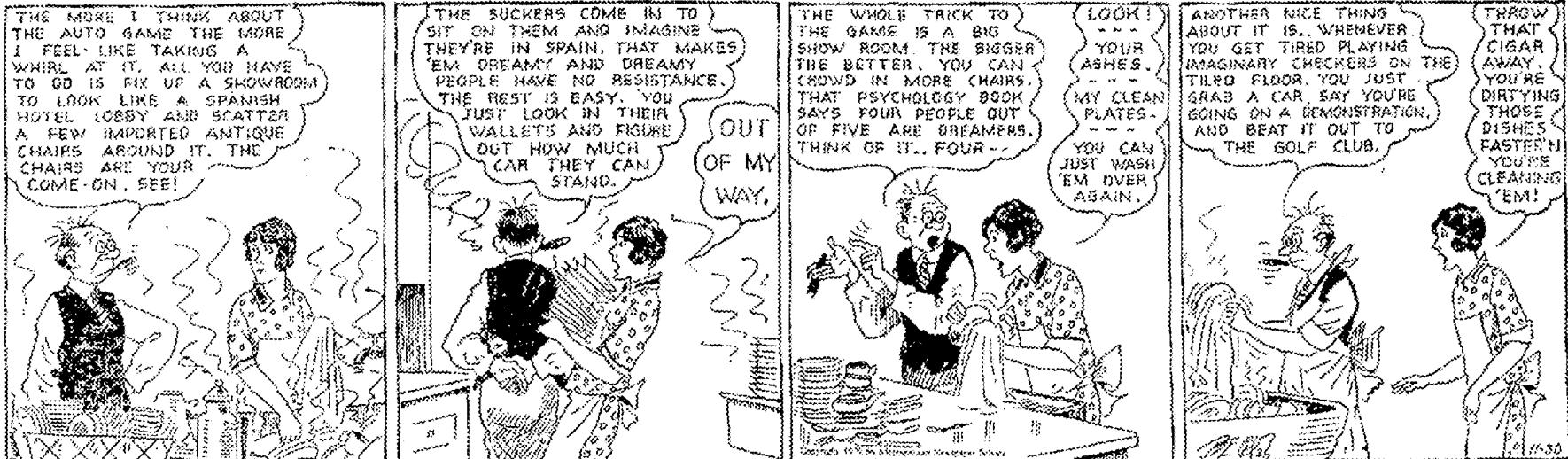


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Hem Is Weakening



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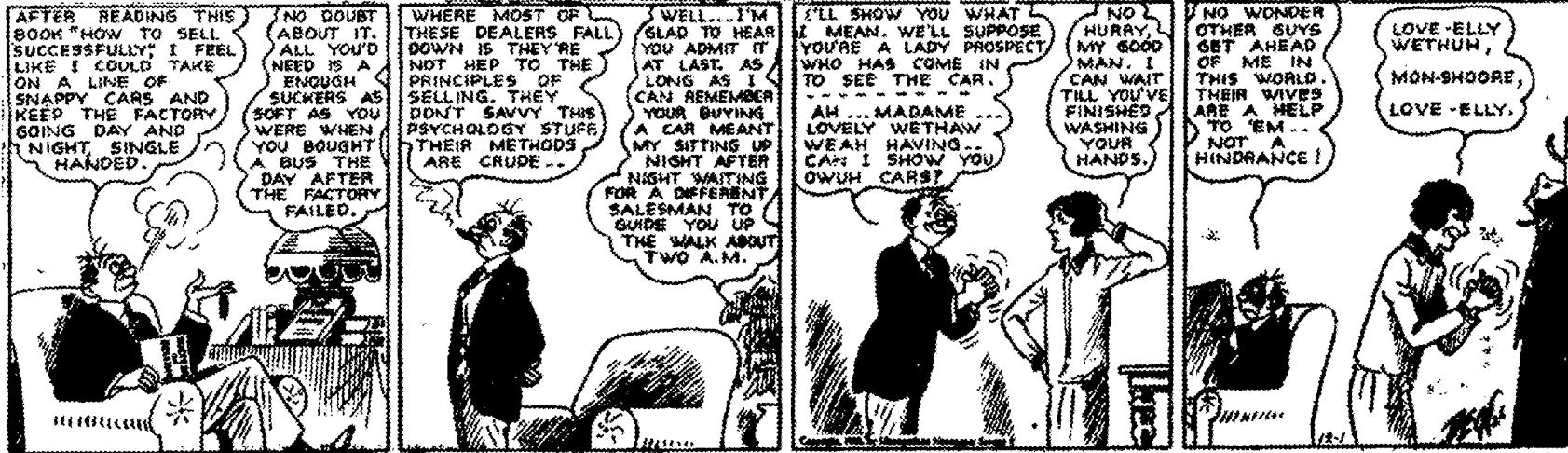
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Lesson Number One

BY BECK



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Baiting the Trap

BY BECK



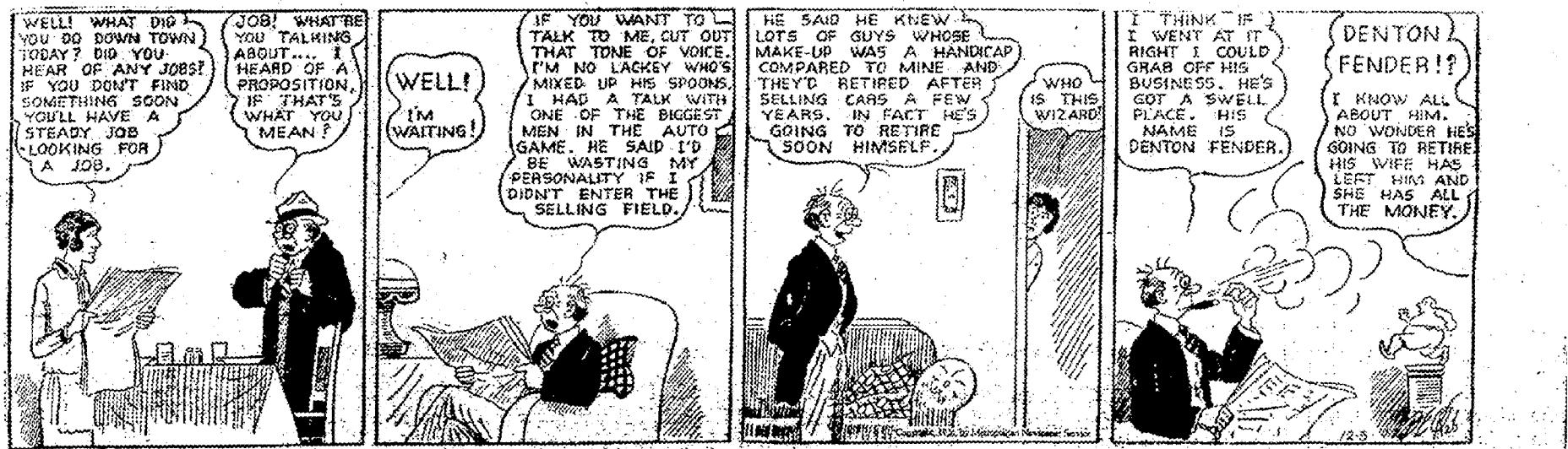
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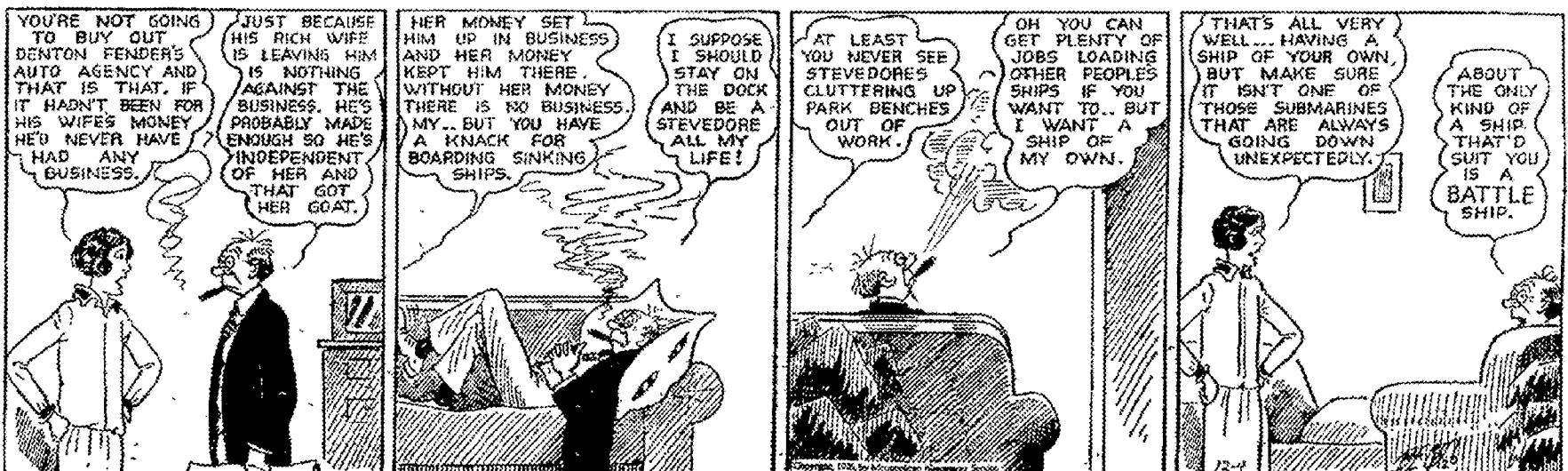


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By FRANK BECK



December 1926

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GAS BUGGIES or HEM AND AMY

A Sad Story

BY BECK

DENTON FENDER
THE AUTOMOBILE
DEALER
WHO TRIED
TO SELL HIS
DECAYING
BUSINESS
TO HEM,
BECAUSE HIS
WEALTHY WIFE
HAD LEFT
HIM
RECEIVES
ANOTHER BLOW
FROM THE
FEMININE GENDER
AND ENITS
A FEW PEARLS
OF WISDOM
ON HIS
FATE.

YEH! ISH'S ALL OFF
SNODGRASH OL' PAL. HEM
AIN' GONNA BUY CUB
BISHNESS. HISH WIFE
WONT LET HIM. WE'D
HAVE PUT IT OVER BUT
FOR HER. WOMEN ISH MY
RUINASHUN. FIRSH, MY WIFE
LEAVES ME CAUSH I TAKE
A NIP NOWH THEN WHEN
BISHNESS ISH SHACK
IN NOW HISH WIFE HASH
TO SHPOIL OUR
SHALE!

ISH HOLDING USH
DOWN, DENTON,
CURSHES UPON EM.
YOUR WIFE LEAVES
WHEN YOU DON'T
WANNER TO AND
I CAN'T DRIVE
MINE AWAY---
CURSHES ON
THE WOMEN.

LOOK A THAT
PISHURE! THA'S
MY DEPARTED
WIFE WHOOSH
BEEN ISO CRUEL
BUT SHE DON'T
BHEEM CRUEL.
--- LOOK AT
THEM EYESH.
AINT THEY
BOOTEFUL?

SHE HASH
LOVELY EYESH
BOTH OF
THEM.

BUT COME! 'NUFF
OF SHORROW, WE
MUSH CARRY ON, ME
AN YOU. LET USH
REHEARSH ERE OUR
TECHNIQUE DESHERTS
USH. ILL BE THE
PROSHPECT
THISH TIME.

RIGHT, LES GO.
--- OYOOH
WANNA BUY
A CAR?
!! CH!
IF THEY
DON'T
WANT TO
SELL ME
A CAR,
ALL
RIGHT!



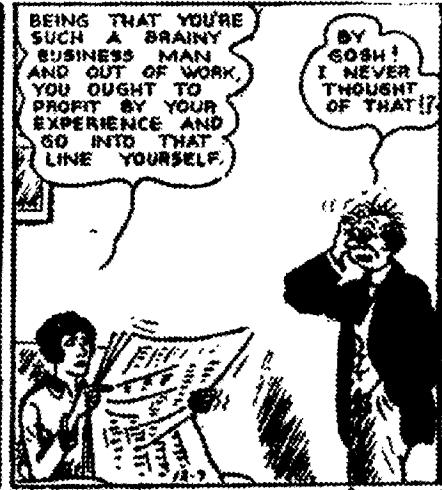
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GAS BUGGIES or HEM AND AMY

Another Gold Mine?

BY BECK



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Hem Gets Another Flat

BY BECK



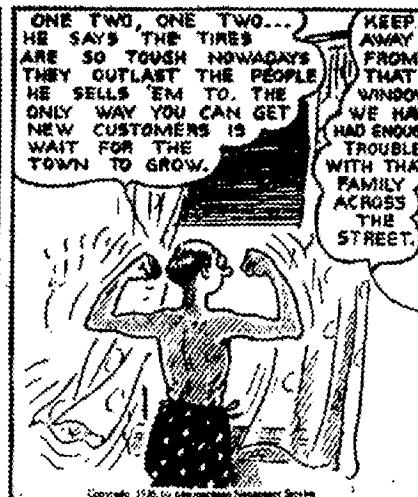
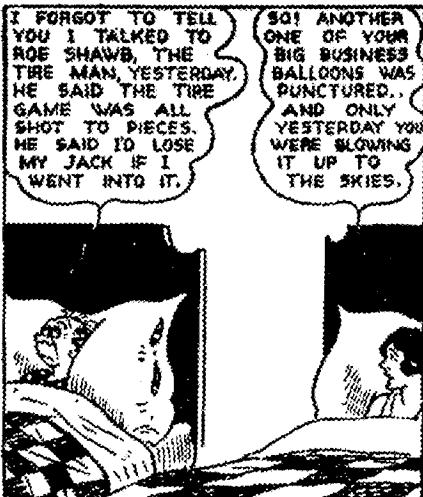
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It Depends on How You Look at It

BY BECK



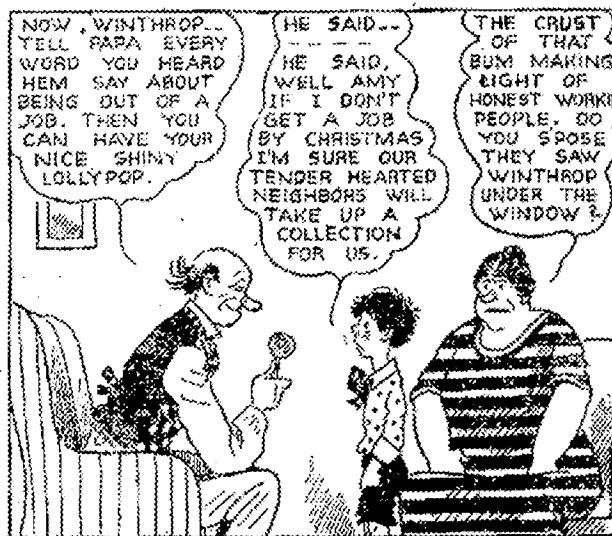
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December 10, 1926

Hamilton Journal

GAS BUGGIES

Despite the fact that they are the ones who will be affected by any prolonged absence of income Hem and Amy appear unconcerned over the prospect in comparison with their agitated neighbors.



HE SAID--
HE SAID,
IF I DON'T
GET A JOB
BY CHRISTMAS
I'M SURE OUR
TENDER HEARTED
NEIGHBORS WILL
TAKE UP A
COLLECTION
FOR US.

THE CRUST
OF THAT
BUM MAKING
LIGHT OF
HONEST WORKIN'
PEOPLE. DO
YOU SPOSE
THEY SAW
WINTHROP
UNDER THE
WINDOW?

THERE'S THAT
LOAFER, HEM, COMING
HOME. HE DIDN'T GRAB
OFF ANY BANK PRESIDENT
JOB JUDGING BY THE
WAY HE'S DRAGGING
HIS FEET. IF HE'D
WORK, I'D GET
HIM A JOB AT
THE STORE.

LOOK, PET!
IS THIS FOR
PIECE WORN
OUT ENOUGH
TO GIVE TO
SOME OF YOUR
PEOPLE FOR
CHRISTMAS?
I'M MAKING
UP MY LIST.



STOP
PULLING OUT
THOSE HAIRS.
CANFIELD,
GET ONE
OUT OF
YOUR
BRUSH.

Sympathy

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GAS BUGGIES or HEM AND AMY

The False Alarm

BY BECK



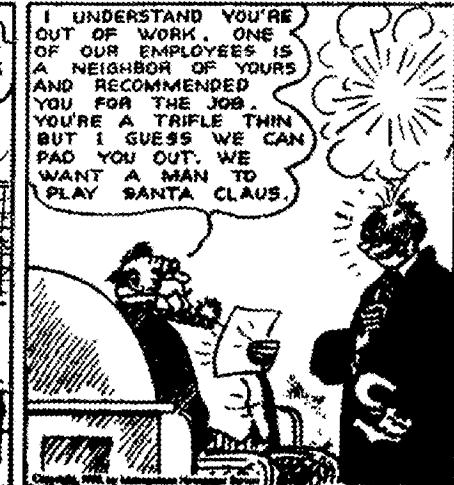
GIMME MY
TIE AND
COLLAR, QUICK.
PROBABLY
BEEN A
SUDDEN DEATH
OF SOME
IMPORTANT
GUY IN THE
FIRM.

AND DON'T FORGET
TO ASK THEM IF I
'D BE ENTITLED
TO A DISCOUNT
ON CLOTHES...

GOO-BYE



MAKE IT
SNAPPY, SON.
I DON'T WANT
EM TO THINK
I'M HOLDING
UP THEIR
DIRECTOR'S
MEETING.



I UNDERSTAND YOU'RE
OUT OF WORK. ONE
OF OUR EMPLOYEES IS
A NEIGHBOR OF YOURS
AND RECOMMENDED
YOU FOR THE JOB.
YOU'RE A TRIFLE THIN
BUT I GUESS WE CAN
PAD YOU OUT. WE
WANT A MAN TO
PLAY SANTA CLAUS.

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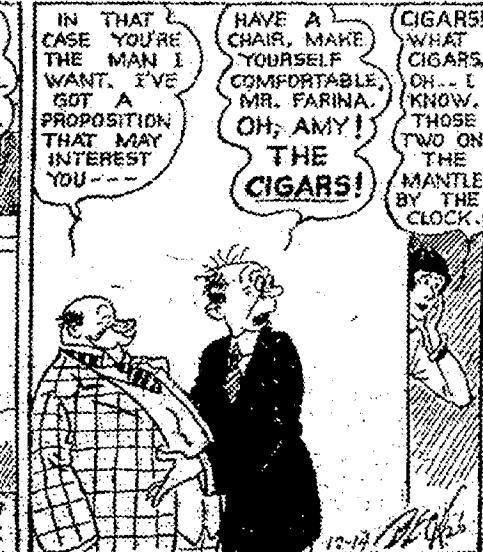
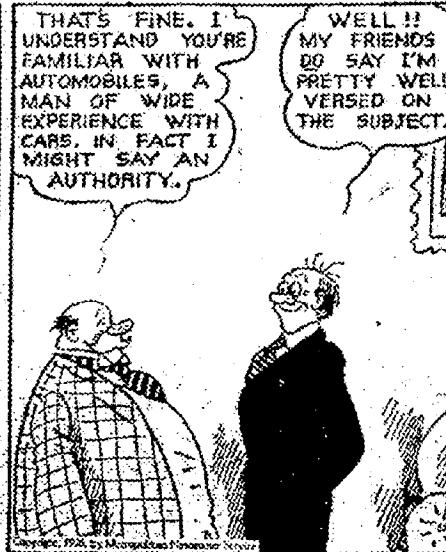
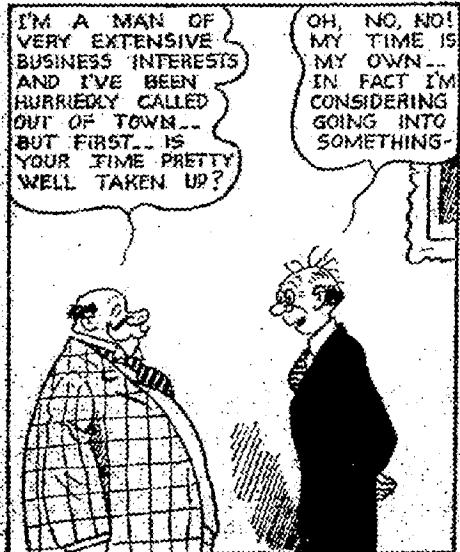
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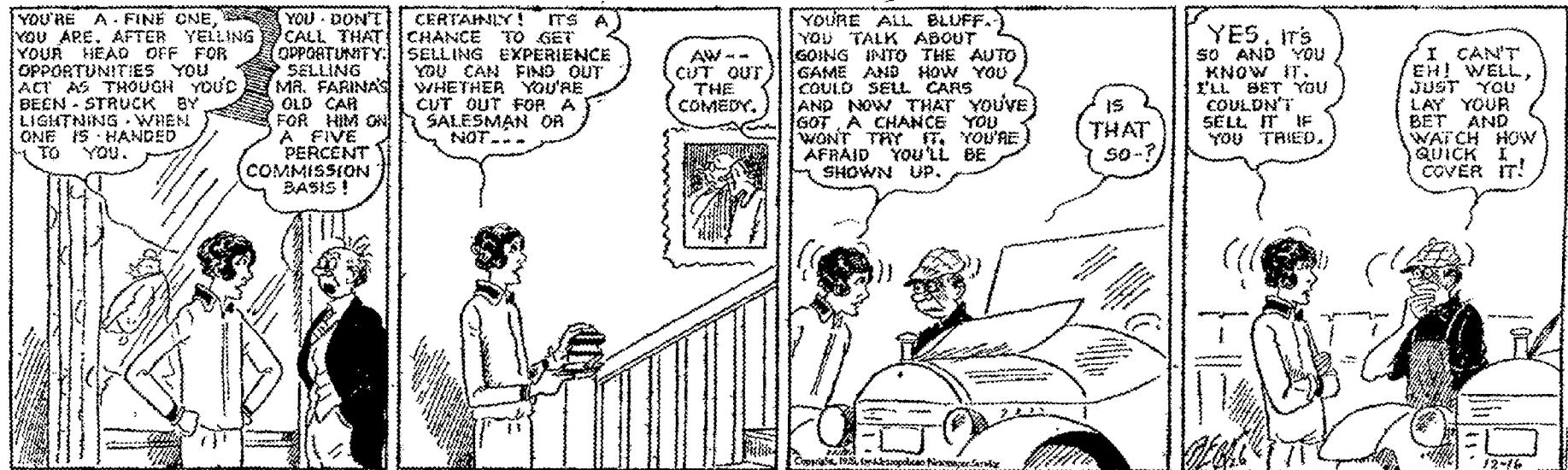


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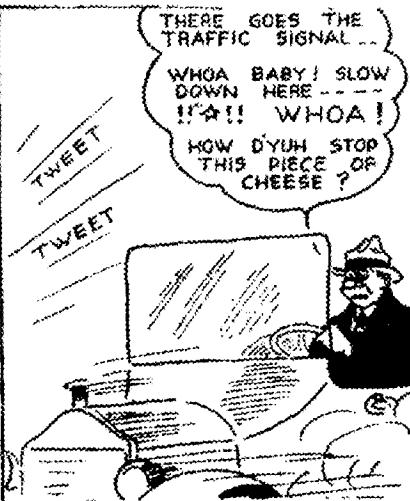


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Stop! Stop!



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HEM'S CONFIDENCE IN HIS ABILITY AS A SALESMAN WAS SOMEWHAT SHATTERED AFTER HIS TRYING TRIP HOME IN THE ANCIENT BUS OF HIRAM FARINA'S WHICH HE HAD UNDERTAKEN TO SELL ON A FIVE PERCENT COMMISSION BASIS BEFORE NOTICING ITS STRIKING RESEMBLANCE TO NOAH'S ARK.

SUCH A RACKET! I WAS TAKING A NAP AND I WOKE UP DREAMING I WAS ON A STEAMBOAT TRYING TO LAND AT A DOCK THAT WOULDN'T STAND STILL. CLOSE THAT CUT-OUT BEFORE YOU'RE ARRESTED.

I'VE ALREADY BEEN ARRESTED. I FORGOT WHERE THE BRAKE WAS AND PASSED A TRAFFIC SIGNAL. I'M NOT USING ANY CUT-OUT. HECK! YOU COULDNT HEAR A CUT-OUT ON THIS GRINDER IF IT HAD ONE.

Going Up

BY BECK

WE'LL PUT AN AD IN THE PAPER RIGHT AWAY, AND GET THAT CAR OFF OUR HANDS BEFORE WE HAVE ALL THE NEIGHBORS ON OUR NECKS. HOW LITTLE IS HE WILLING TO SELL IT FOR?

HE DOESN'T CARE AS LONG AS HE GETS \$400 OUT OF THE DEAL. MY COMMISSION OF FIVE PERCENT IS ADDED ON, SO THAT MAKES THE PRICE \$420. I CAN GET MY \$20 EASY ENOUGH, BUT HIS \$400 WILL COME HARD.

BOTH CARS WOULDN'T SQUEEZE INTO OUR GARAGE, SO I PUT OUR BUS IN JIM'S PLACE. HE ONLY CHARGES \$10 A WEEK. THE OTHER CAR WILL BE HANDY WHEN THE PROSPECTS START COMING.

WELL! THAT \$10, PLUS THE \$20 FINE FOR IGNORING A TRAFFIC LIGHT BOOSTS THE PRICE. OH THAT CAR UP TO \$450. I ONLY HOPE YOU'RE HALF THE SALESMAN YOU THINK YOU ARE.

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I GAVE MR. FARINA'S OLD BUS A BATH. LOOK AT HER SHINE. WHEN A PROSPECT LOOKS AT IT, HE'LL BE SO FASCINATED BY HIS OWN REFLECTION, HE'LL NEVER NOTICE IT'S TEN YEARS OLD. ARE YOU LOOKING FOR THE TURKISH TOWEL?

NO - NO - THERE ARE TWO MEN HERE TO BUY THE CAR. THEY SAW THE AD IN THIS MORNING'S PAPER---

YES, SIR, GENTLEMEN! SHE'S A BARGAIN AT \$450. THIS CAR HAS HAD GOOD CARE, AS YOU CAN SEE. IT WOULDN'T BE FOR SALE IF THE OWNER HADN'T BEEN CALLED OUT OF THE CITY.

HE'S WISE. I KNEW AN OWNER WHO FORGOT TO LEAVE TOWN WHEN HE SOLD HIS OLD BUS. HE'S STILL HERE, IN THE HOSPITAL.

IT LOOKS O.K., LET'S HEAR IT RUN!

THAT'S FUNNY-- IT'S NEVER FAILED TO START BEFORE! I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT! ???

I'VE KNOWN LOTS OF RACE HORSES THAT SUFFERED WITH THE SAME AILMENT. HOW ABOUT IT, JOE? SHALL WE ROLL?

YEH GOT GAS?

WAIT! I'LL HAVE IT GOING IN NO TIME. JUST GIVE ME FIVE MINUTES! I'VE FOUND OUT THE TROUBLE -- WATER GOT INTO THE IGNITION WHILE I WAS WASHING IT THIS MORNING. IF YOU'LL ONLY --

YOUR HACK IS TOO SENSITIVE. I COULDN'T BE BOthered havin' to drag a bumbershoot around, for it every day it rained.

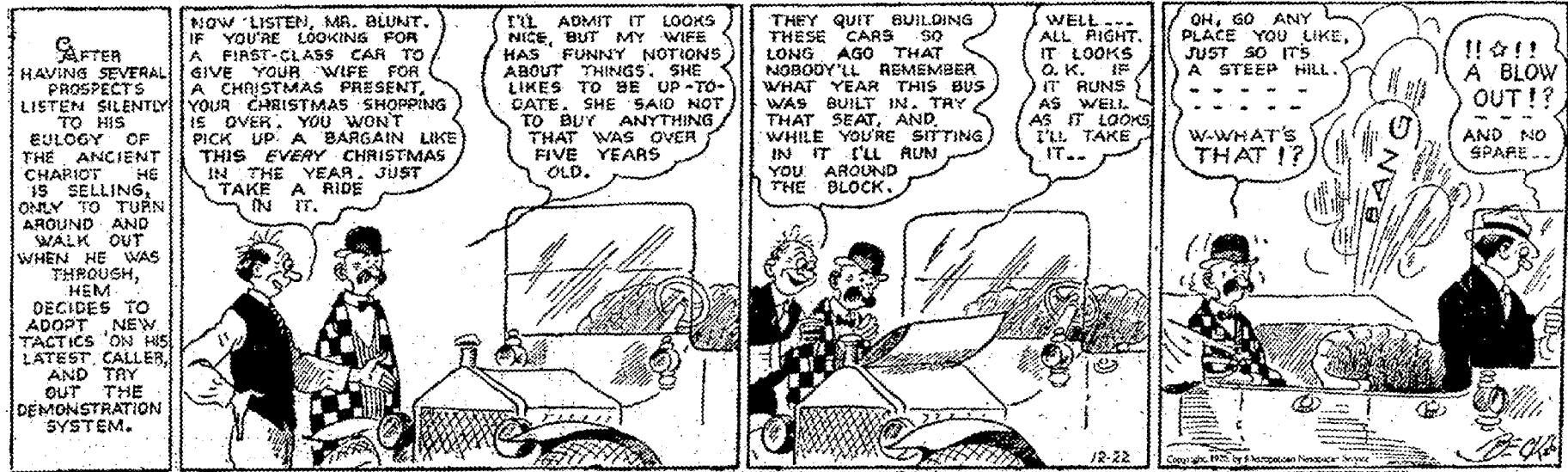
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Hem Is Optimistic, If Nothing Else

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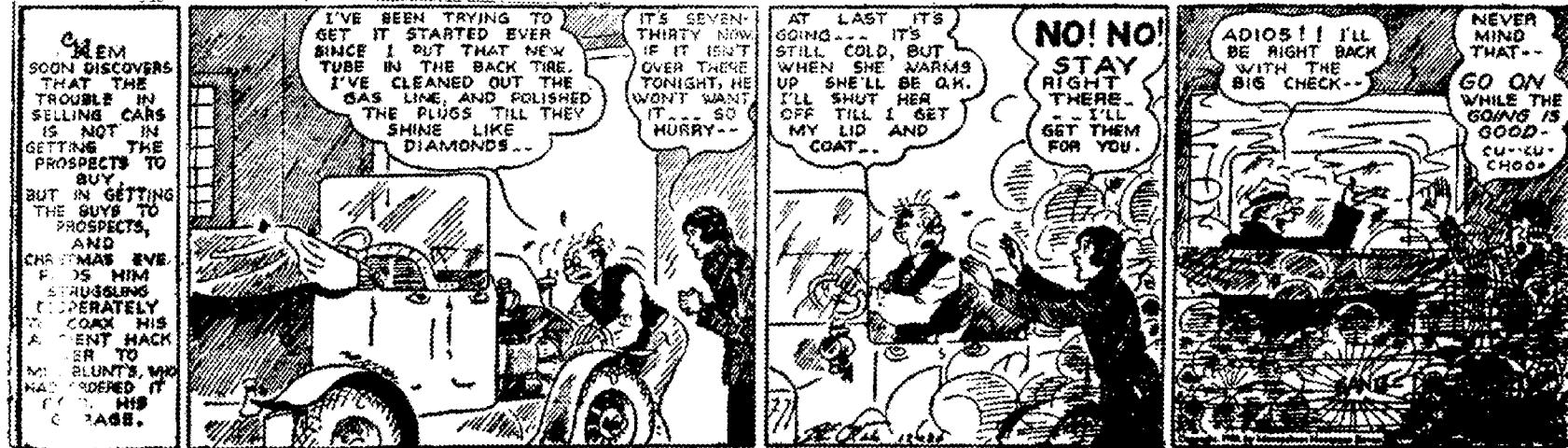
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He Who Hesitates Is Lost

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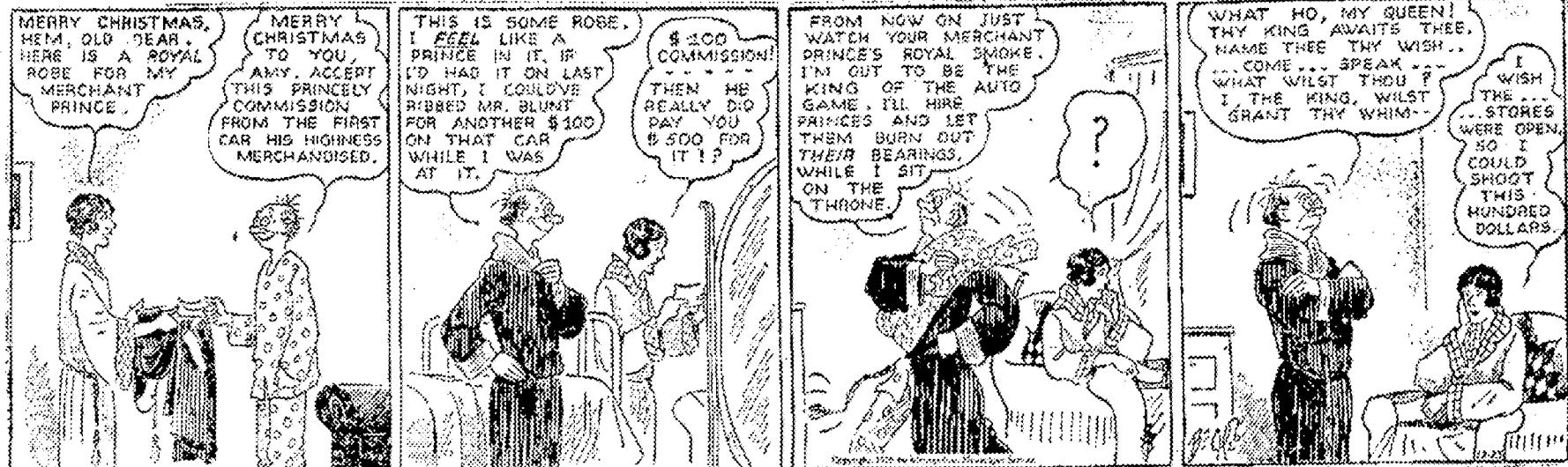


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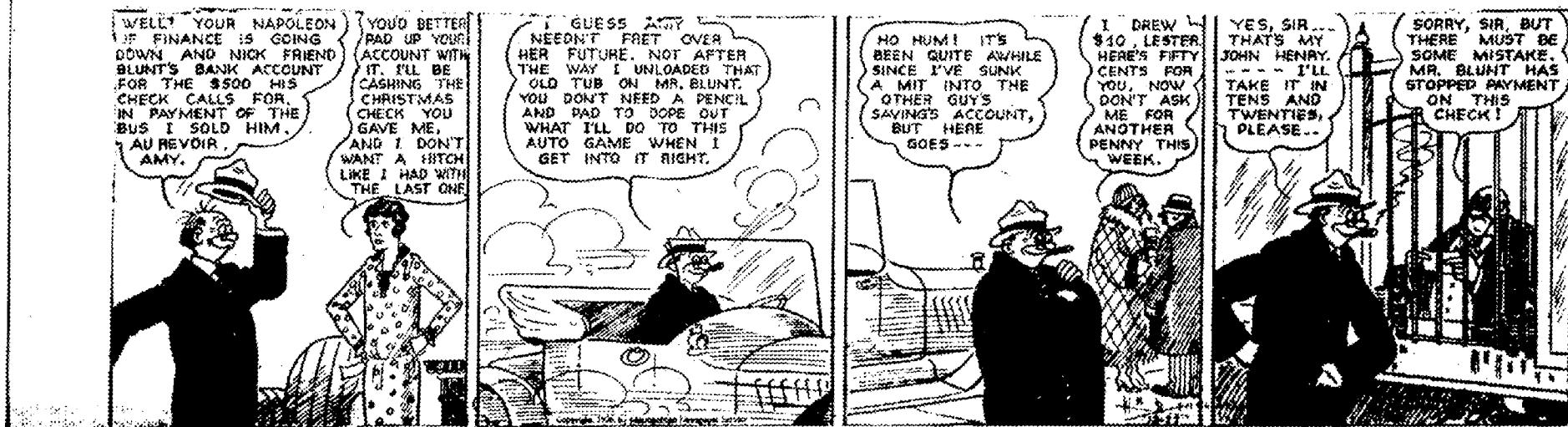
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Hem Draws A Blank

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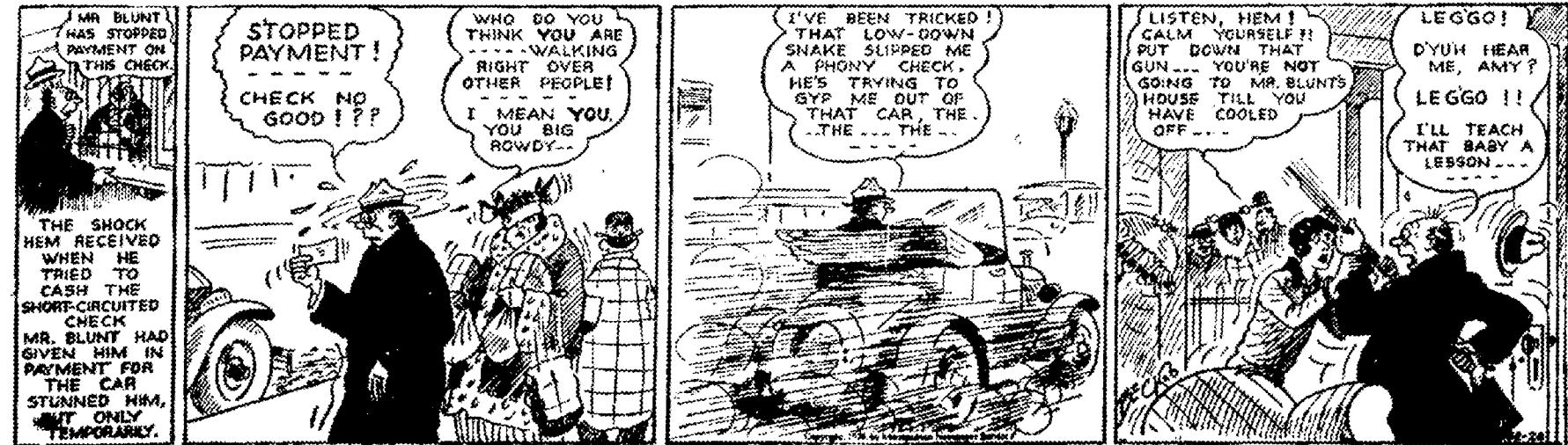
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Hold Him, Amy!

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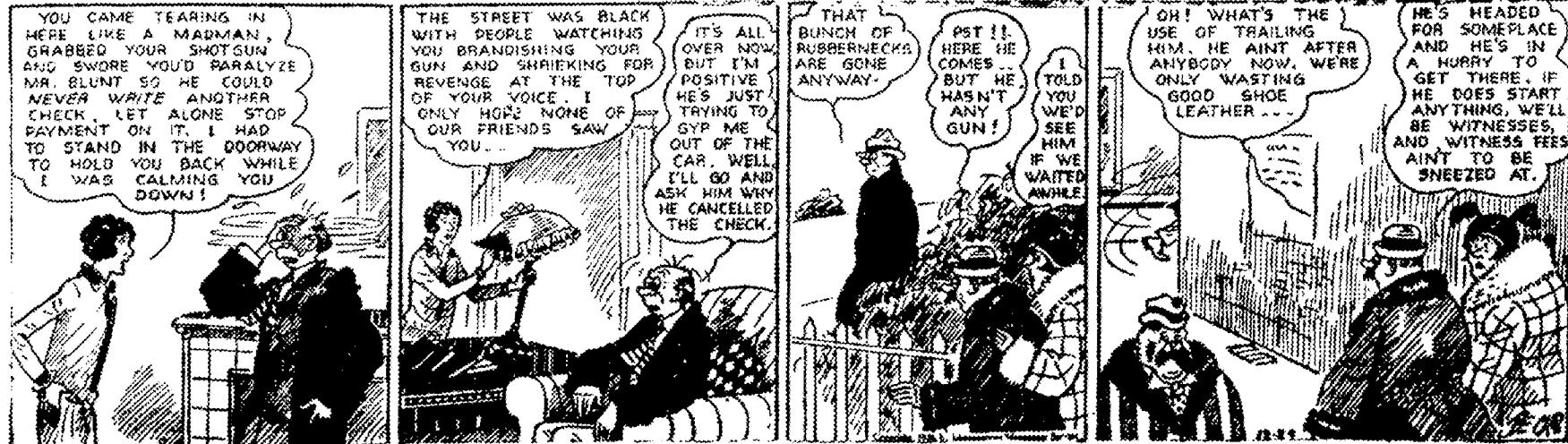
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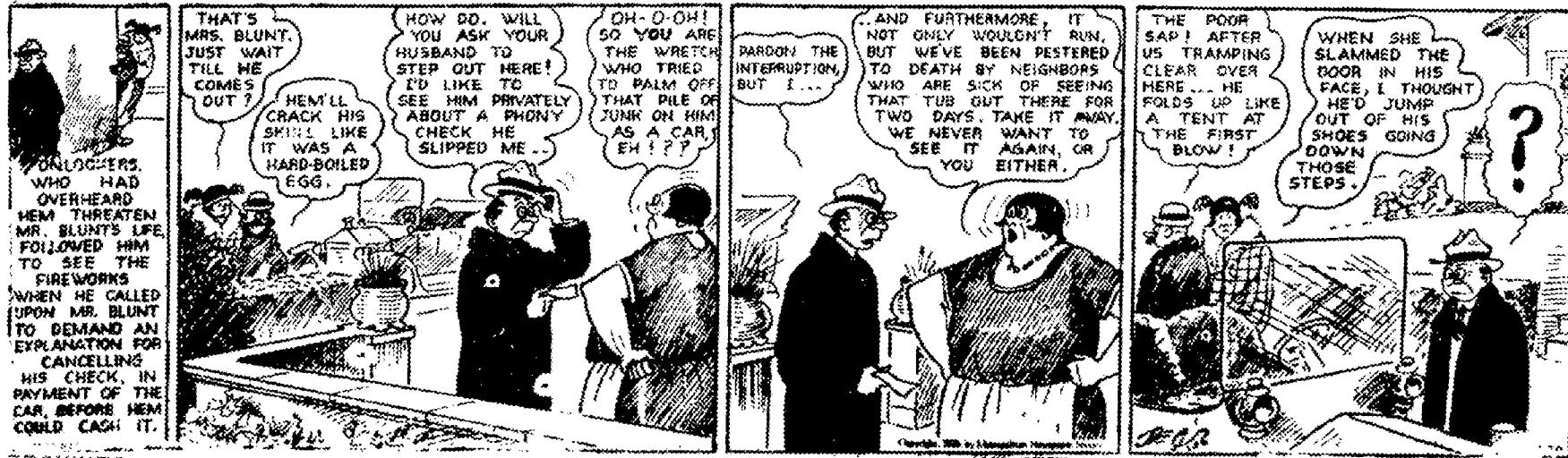
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Have Mercy, Hem!

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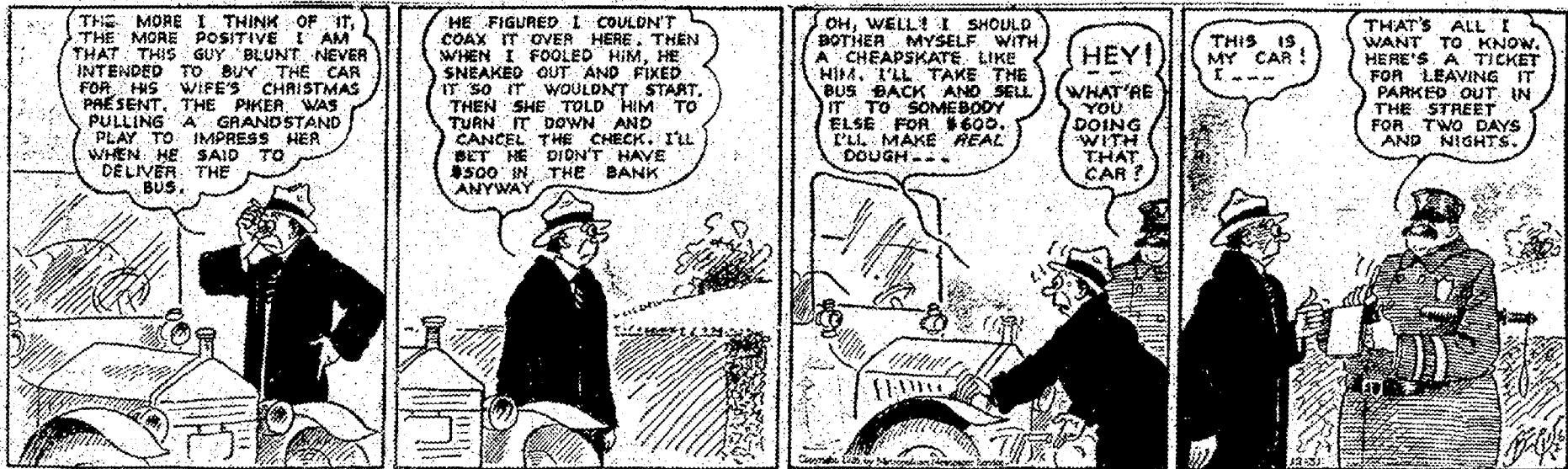


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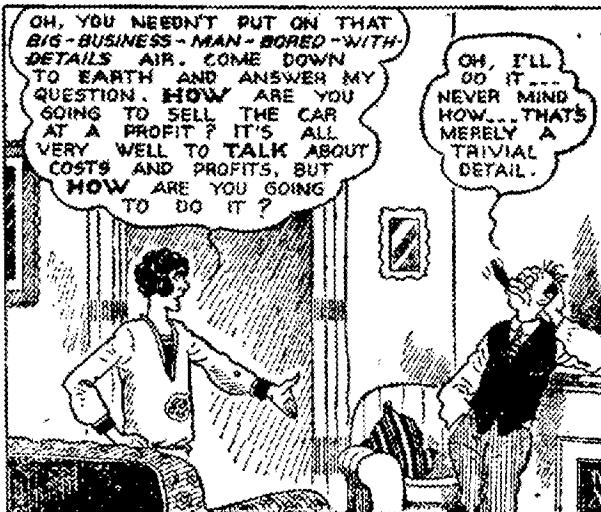
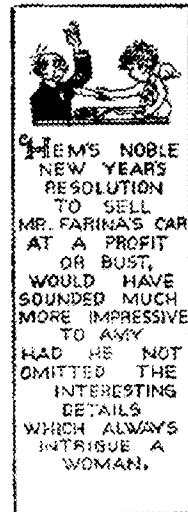


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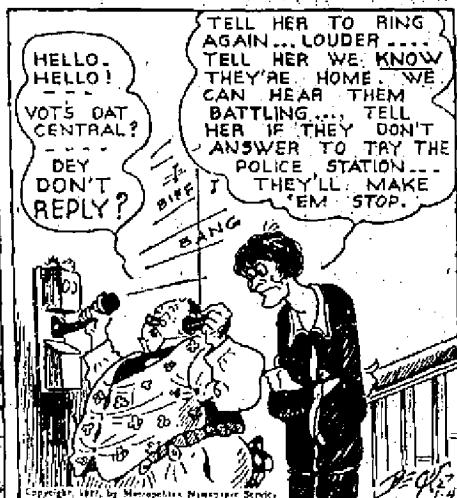


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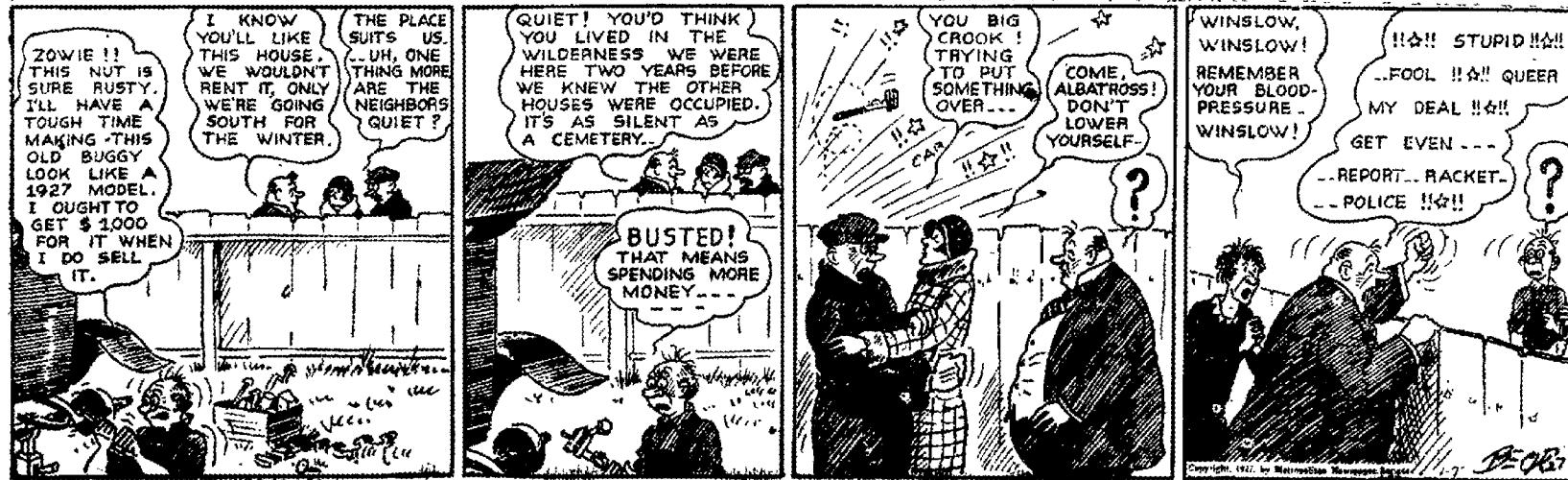
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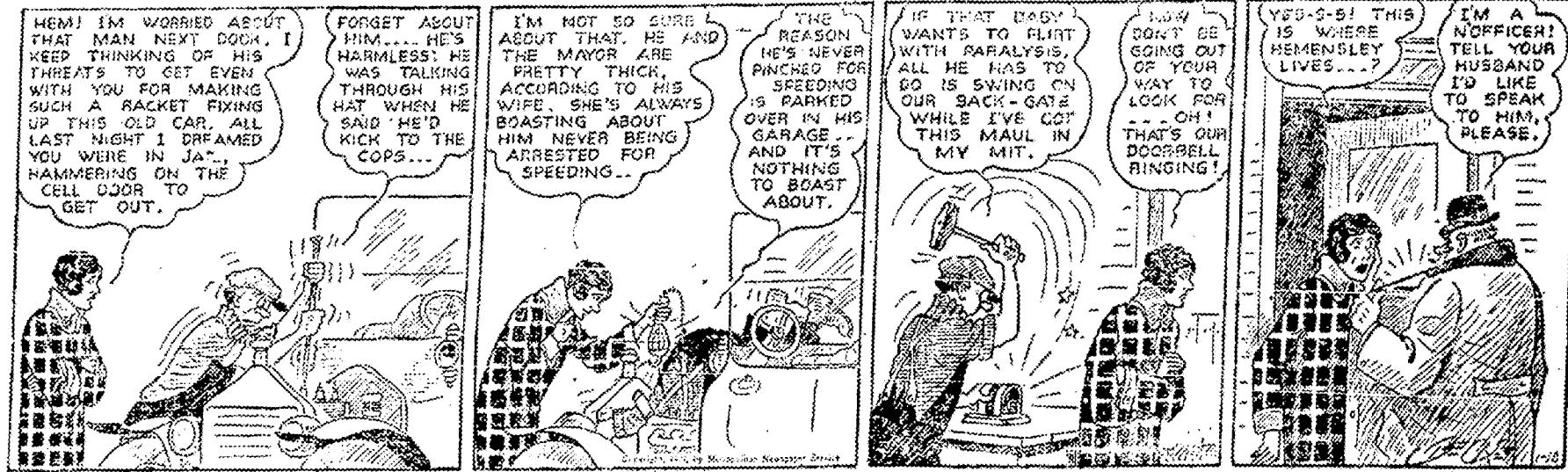


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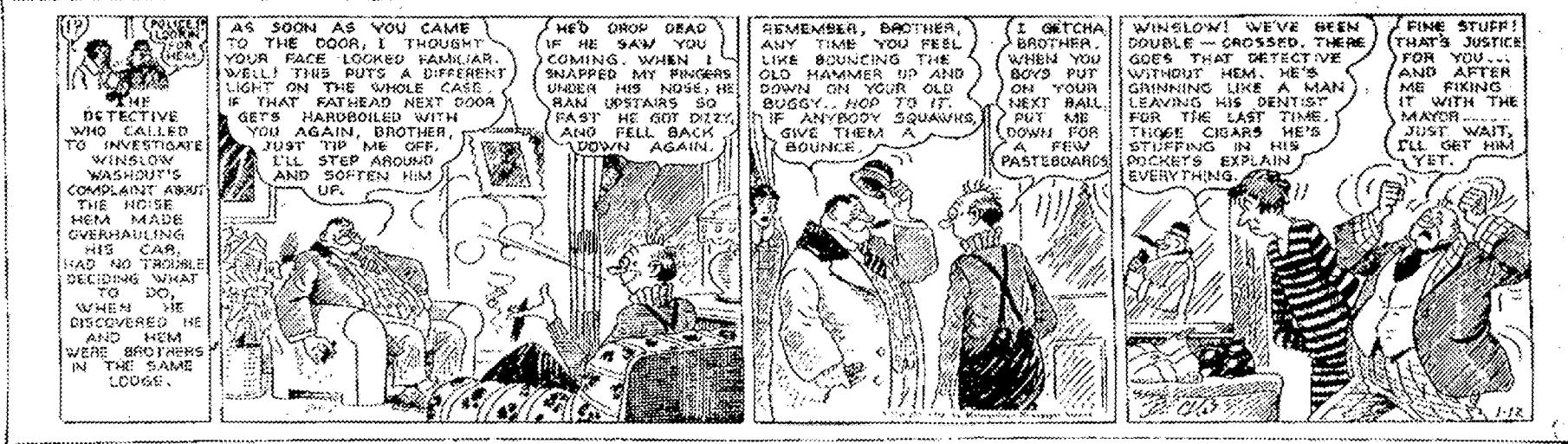
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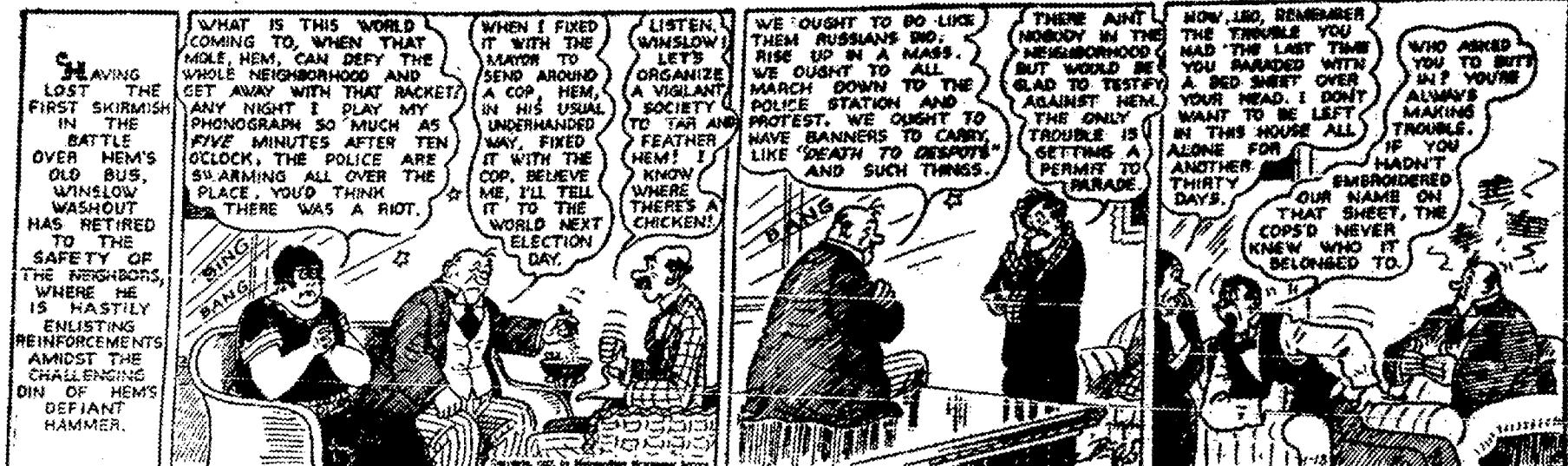
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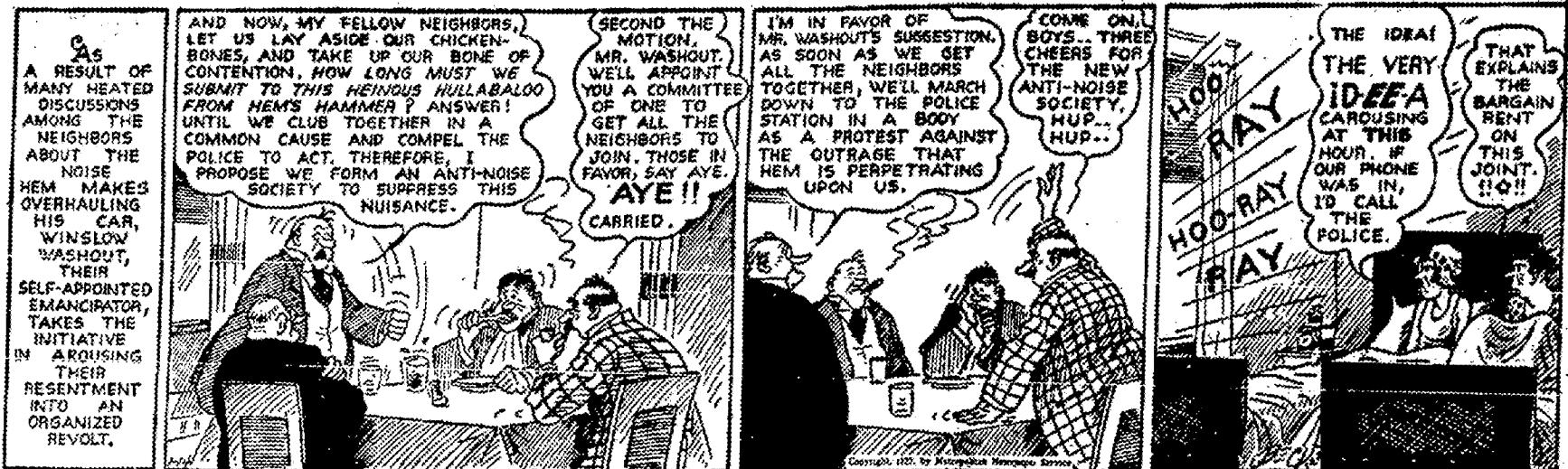
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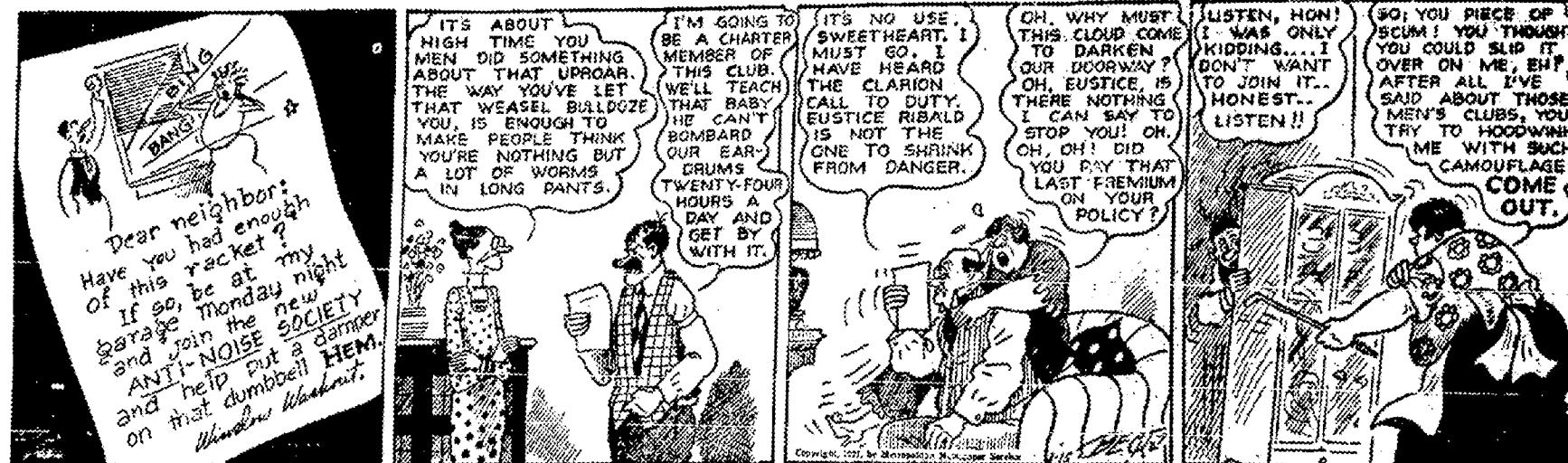
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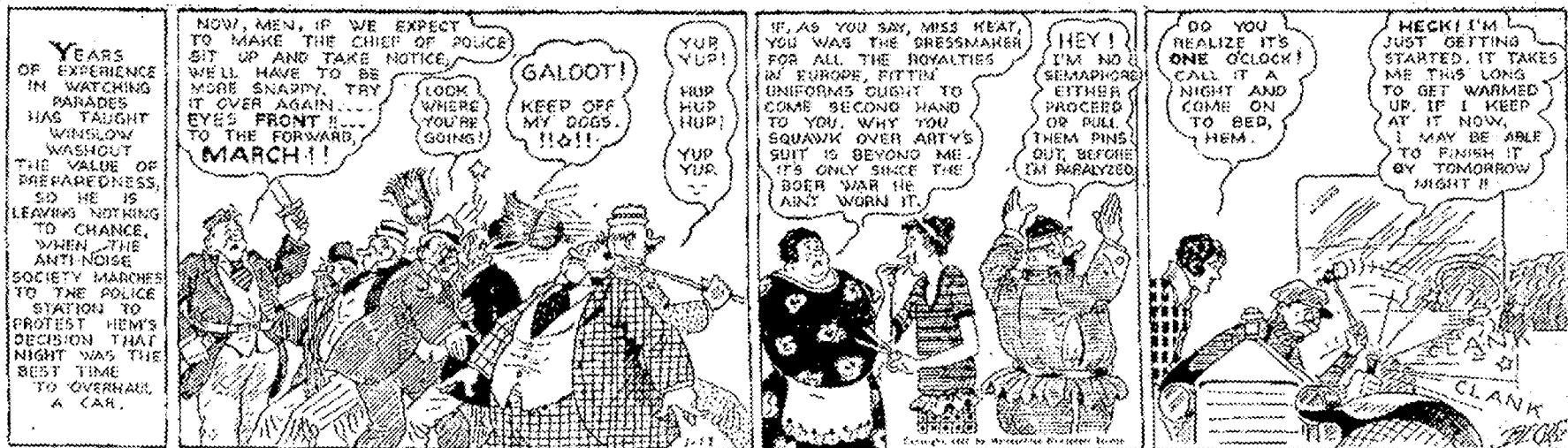


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To The Ladies



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Hurry Up, Winslow

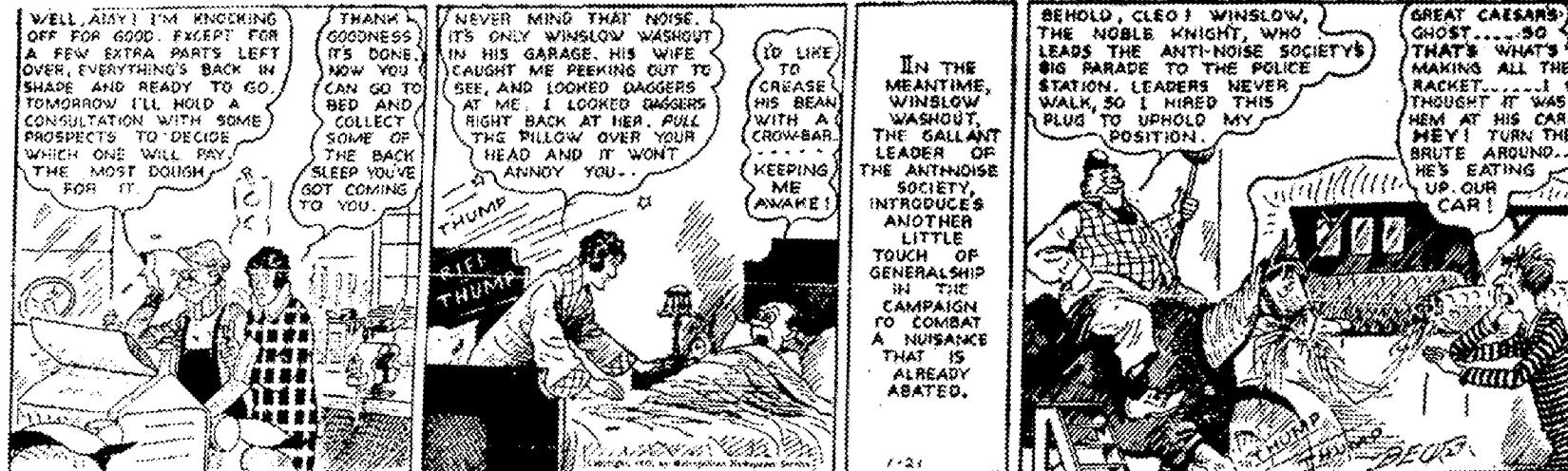


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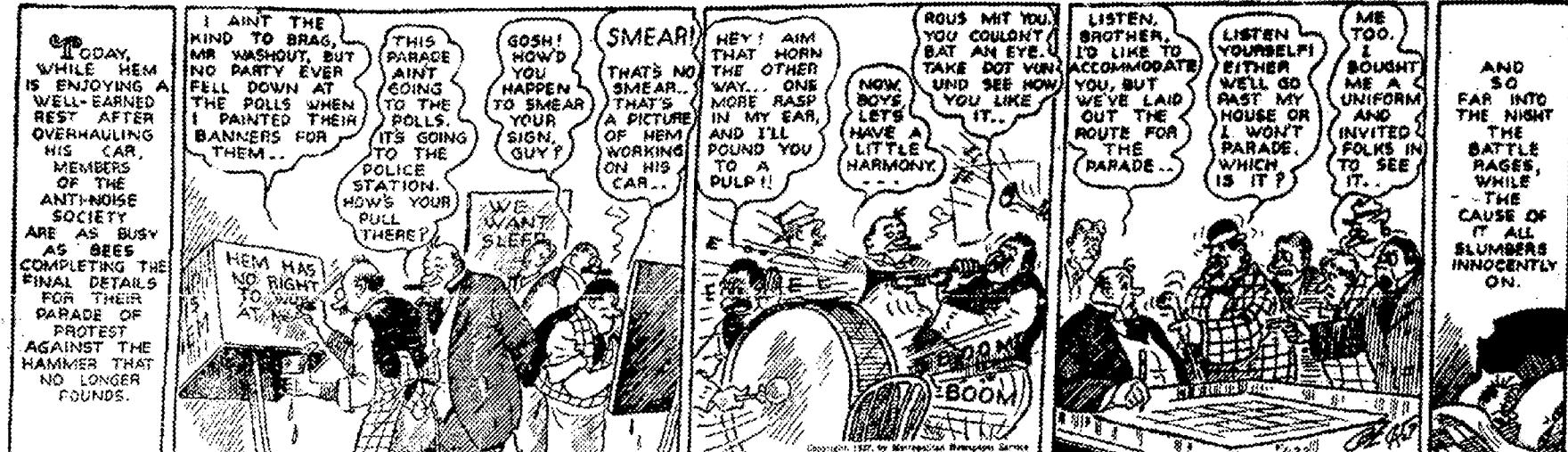


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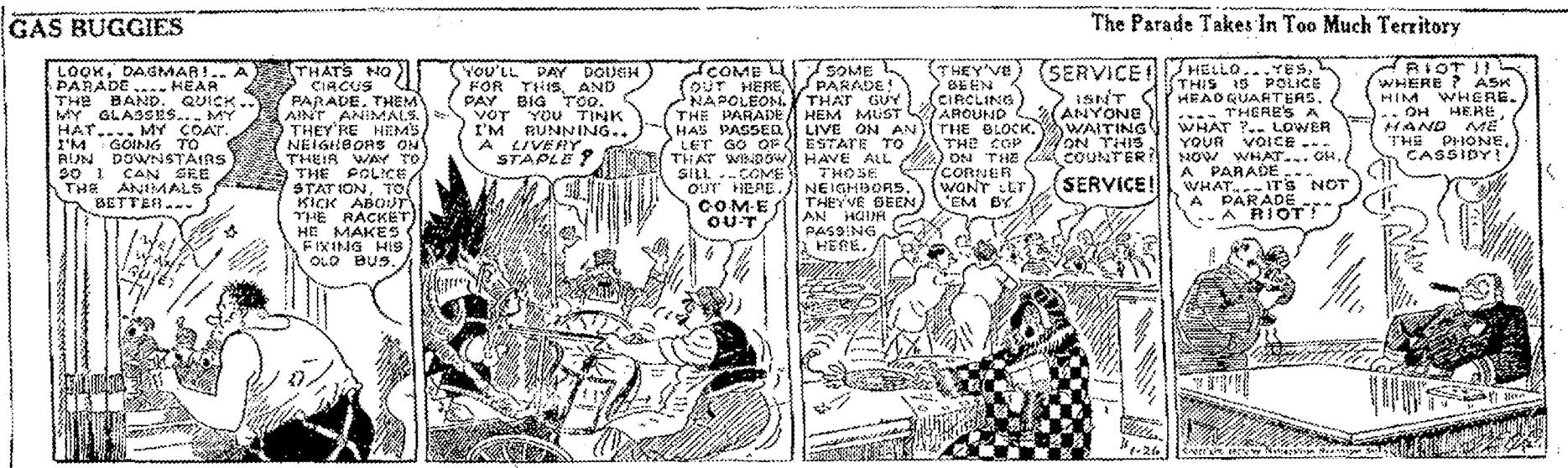


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TRYING TO TELL THE WORLD WHAT A WONDERFUL OVERHAULING JOB HE HAD DONE ON MR. FARINA'S CAR, WITHOUT PAYING FOR THE PRIVILEGE, KEPT HIM SO ENgrossed THAT HE WAS COMPLETELY UNAWARE OF THE PARADE OF PROTEST BY HIS INDIGNANT NEIGHBORS.

THIS NEWSPAPER DON'T PRINT NO WANT-ADS ON THE FRONT PAGE. IT'LL HAVE TO RUN IN THE USED-CAR COLUMN LIKE ANY OTHER. IF YOU WANT THAT SKETCH IN IT, YOU'LL HAVE TO PAY FOR A CUT.

SEEMS TO ME YOU'RE MIGHTY INDEPENDENT. WELL, IF I DON'T GET A PROSPECT, YOU'LL HEAR FROM ME.

REWARD FOR AN EMBEZZLER -- RUN IT UNDER HELP WANTED.

Listen, Hem!

HEY! WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA! BUMPING MY BUS, LAY OFF OR I'LL COME BACK THERE AND CLIMB YOUR FRAME!

IF YOU'RE IN SUCH A HURRY, WHY DON'T YOU GET HARD-BOILED WITH THAT PARADE THAT'S BLOCKING THE STREET?

PARADE!



By Beck

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By FRANK BECK

WHEN HEM STEPPED OUT OF HIS CAR TO UNRAVEL A SNARL IN TRAFFIC AND DISCOVERED THAT IT WAS ONLY HIS DISCONTENTED NEIGHBORS PARADING IN PROTEST, IT MERELY MADE THE OPPORTUNITY MORE WELCOME.

LAMBAST HIM, BROTHERS. IT'S ANOTHER ONE OF HIS TRICKS TO CHEAT US OUT OF JUSTICE!

LET ME AT HIM...

MAKE FUN OF ME. WILL YOU...

WHERE IS HE...

LEAD ME TO HIM...

JIGGERS!

BEAT IT...

THE COPS...

COPS! WHERE?

CLANG CLANG...

COME ON...

STEP UP AND GET IT ...

ATT A BOY...

TAKE THAT...

AND THAT...

ONE SIDE...

CLANG CLANG...

CLANG CLANG...

CLANG CLANG...

ALL RIGHT, BOYS... OUT AND AT 'EM...

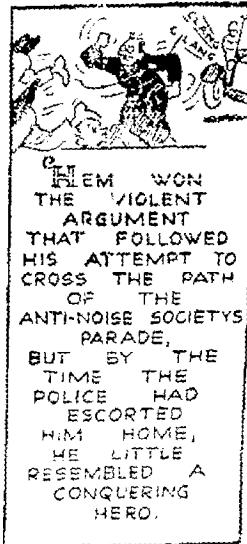
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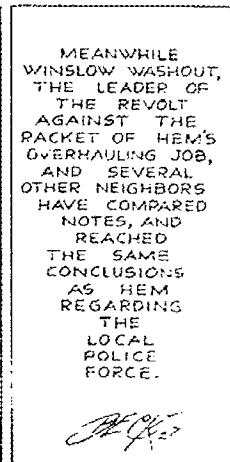


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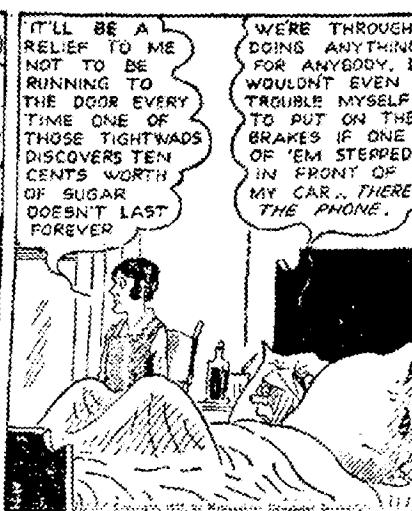


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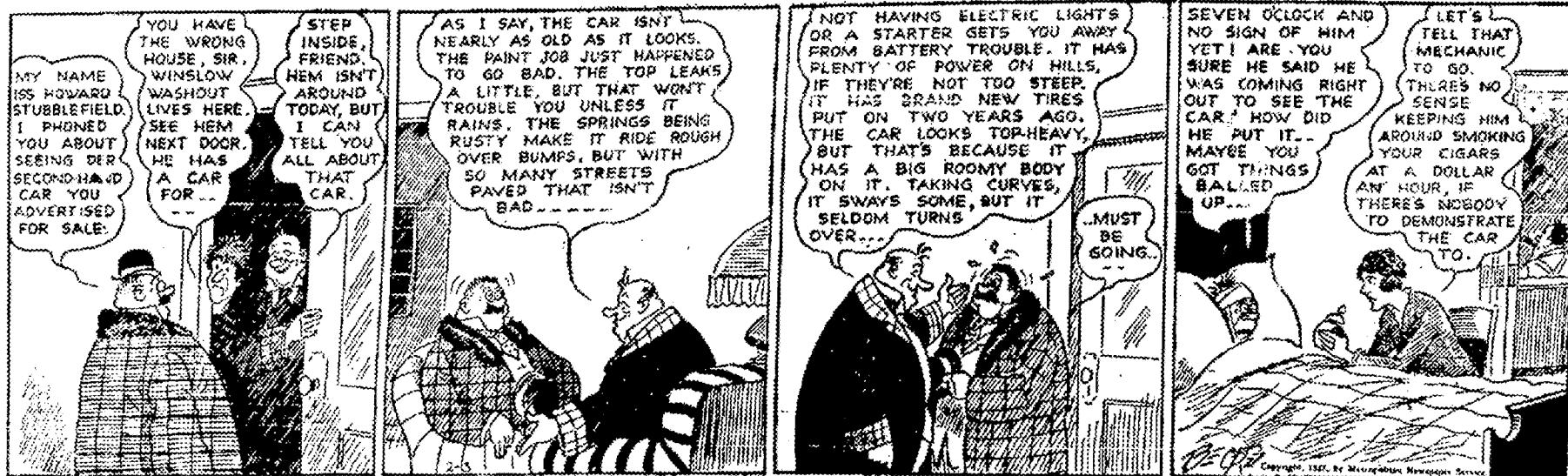
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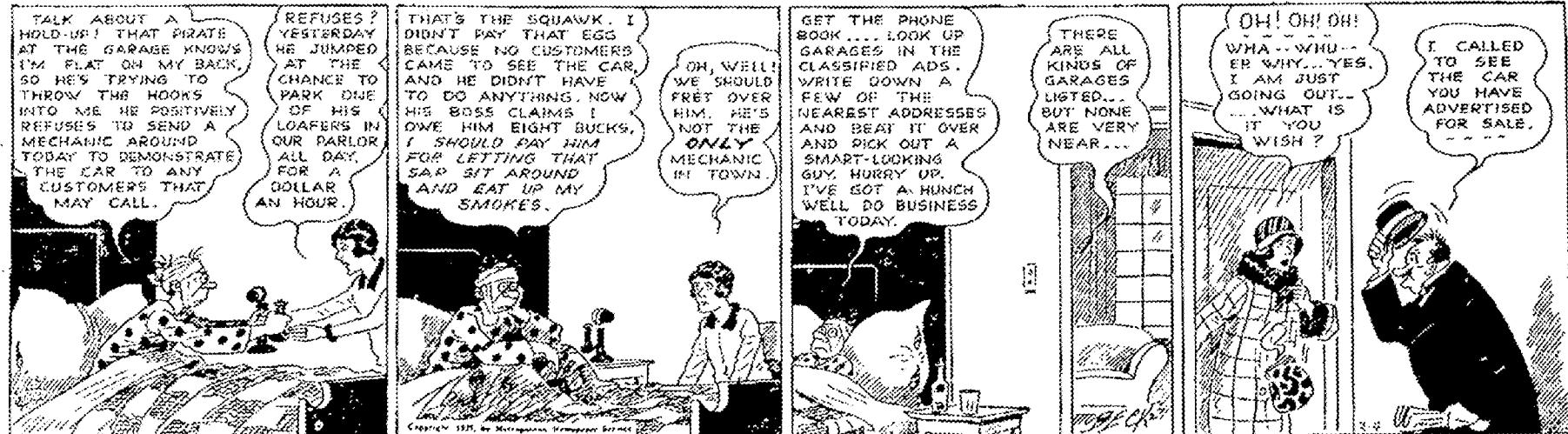
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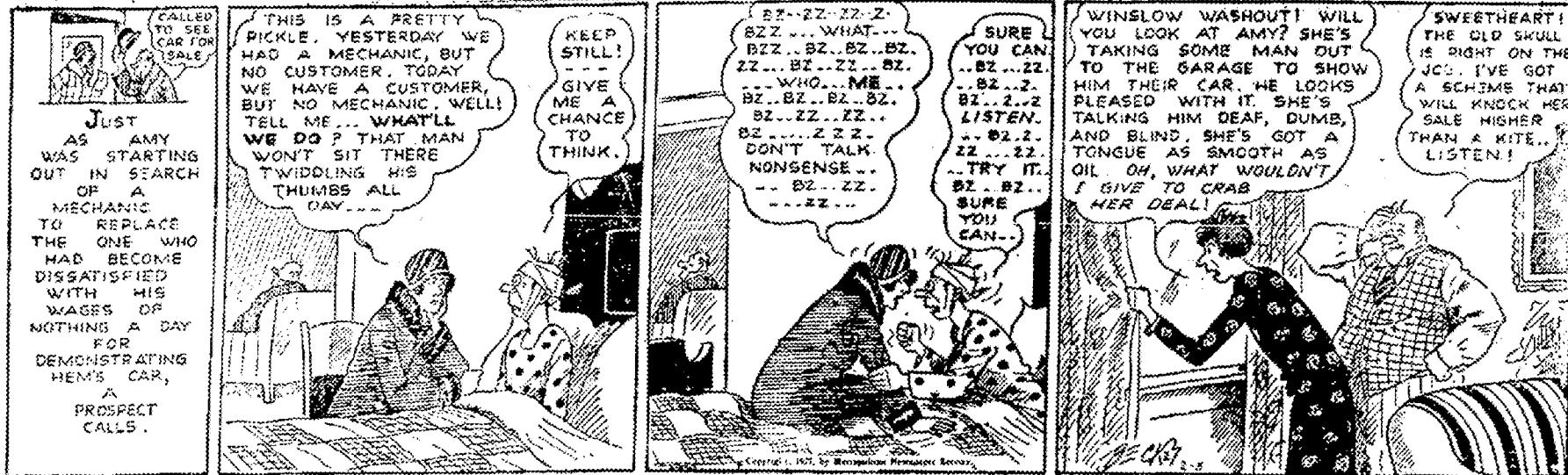


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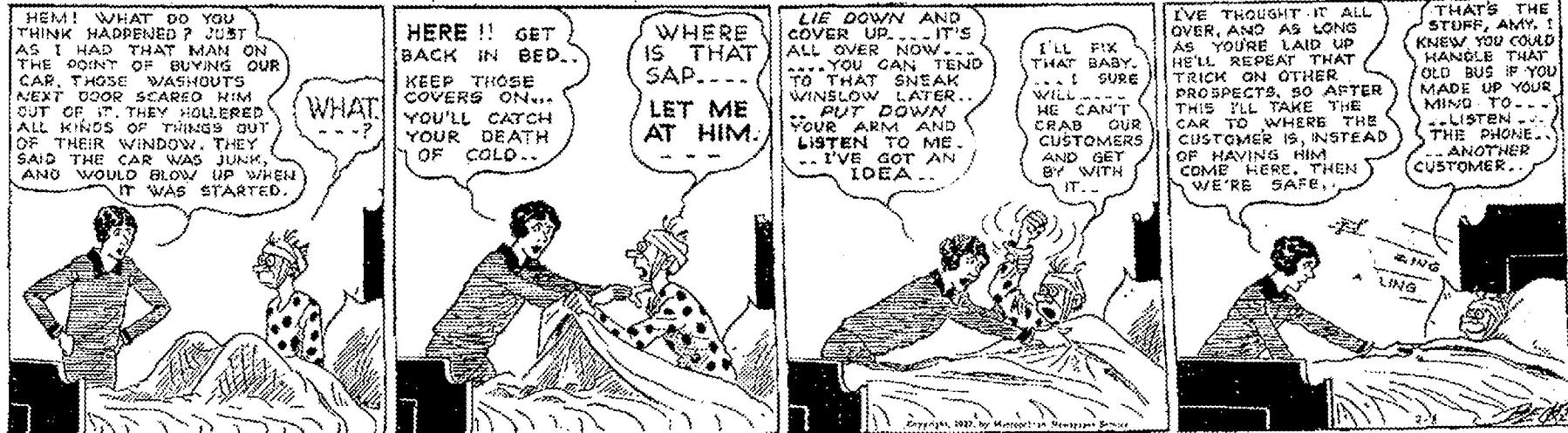


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Amy Gets a Bright Idea



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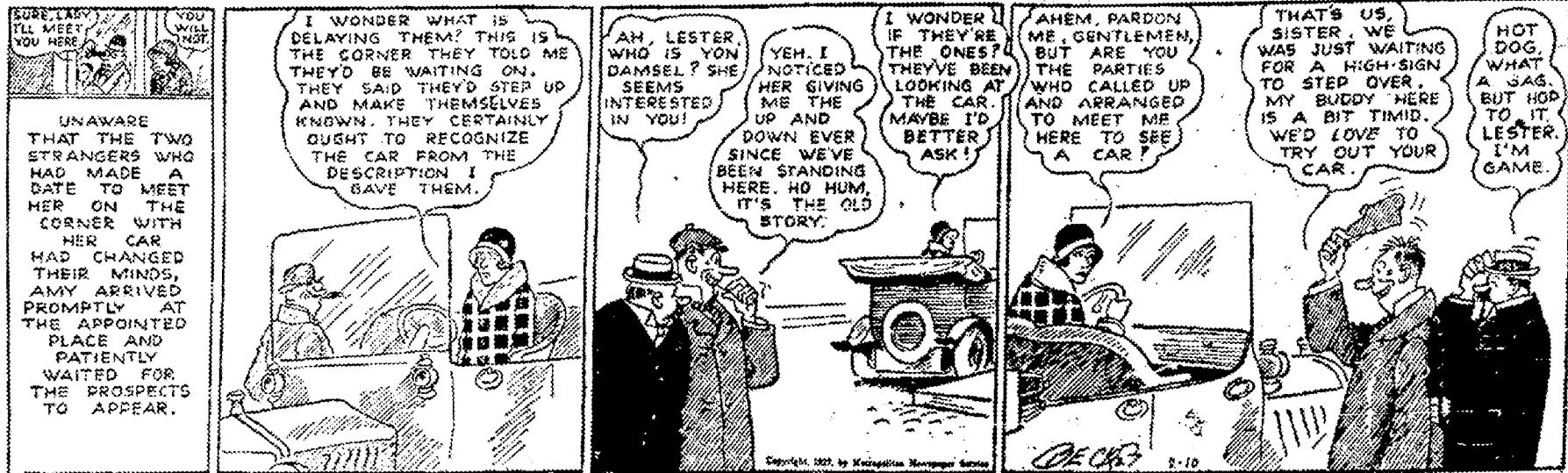
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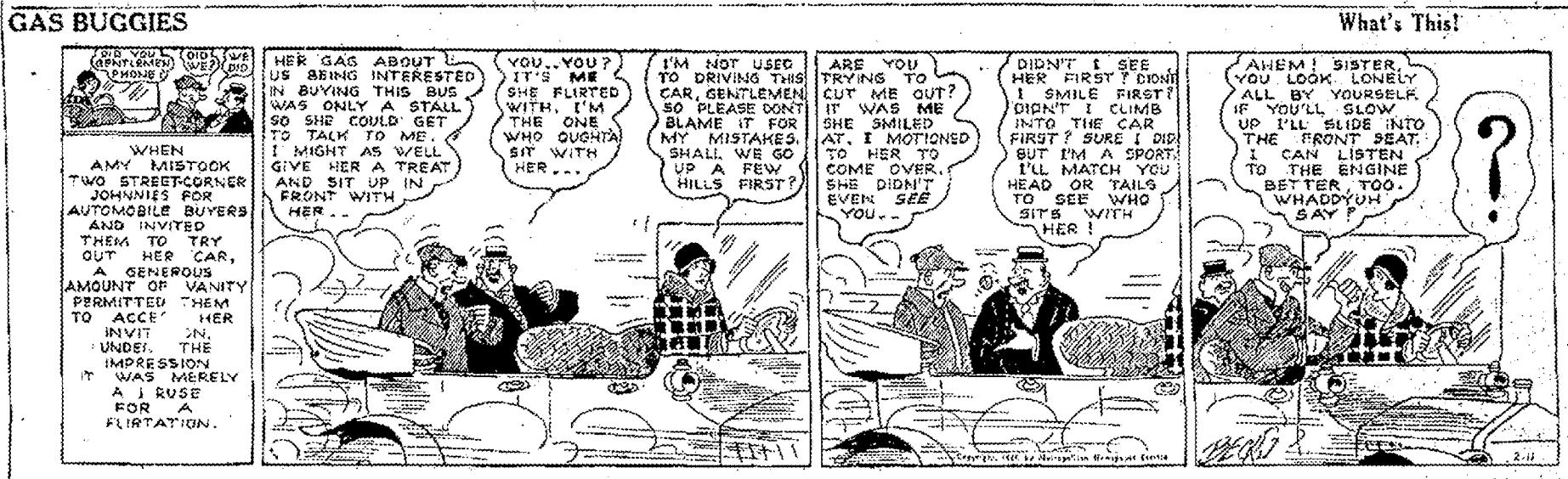
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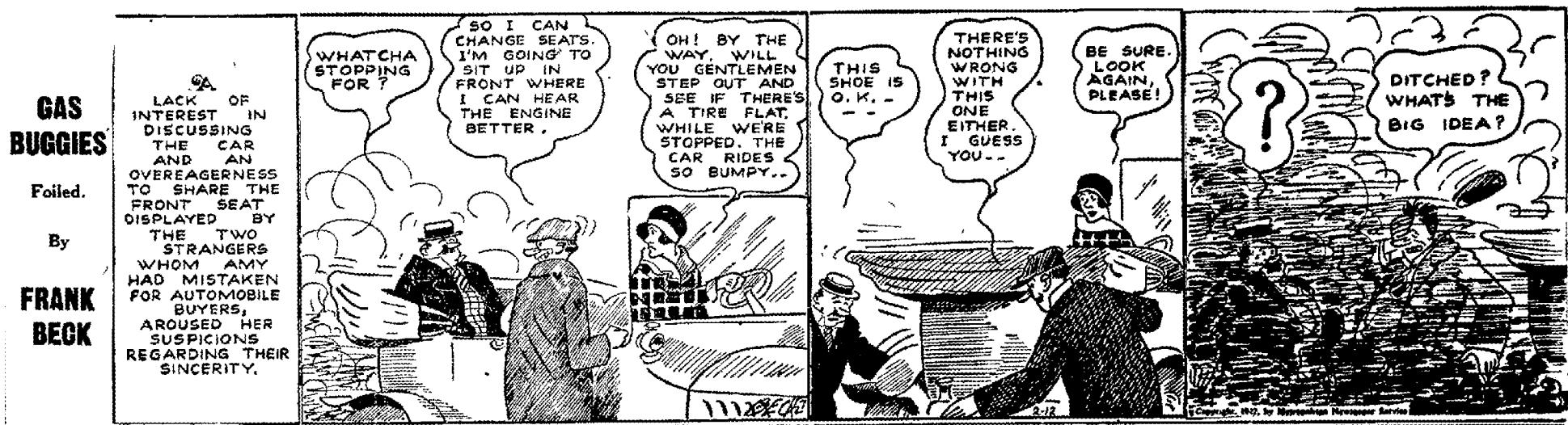
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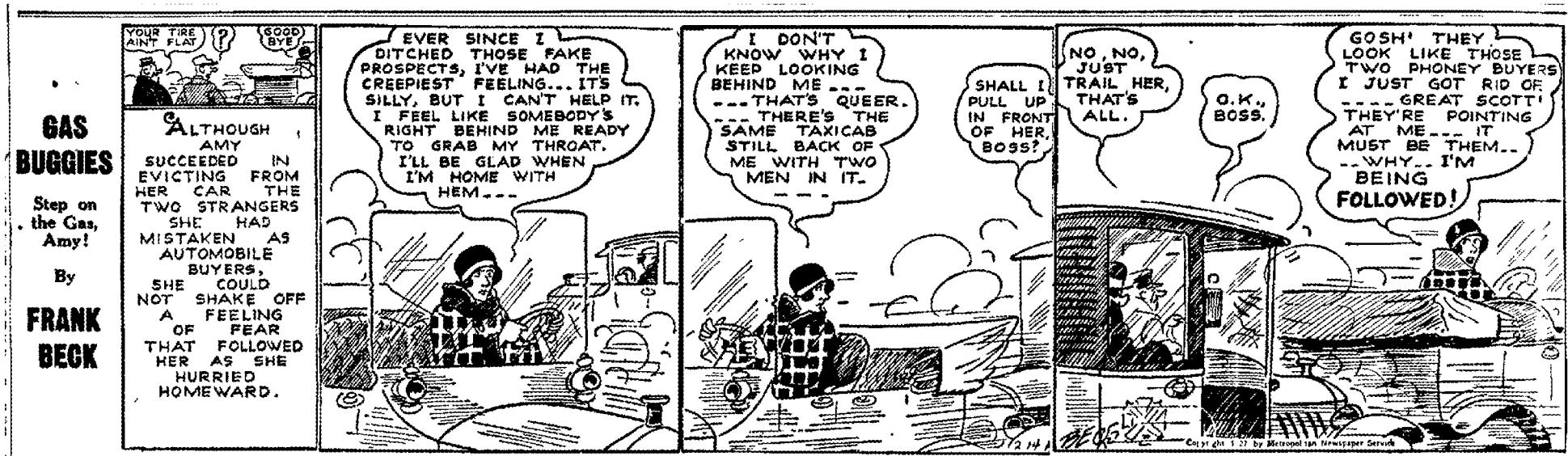


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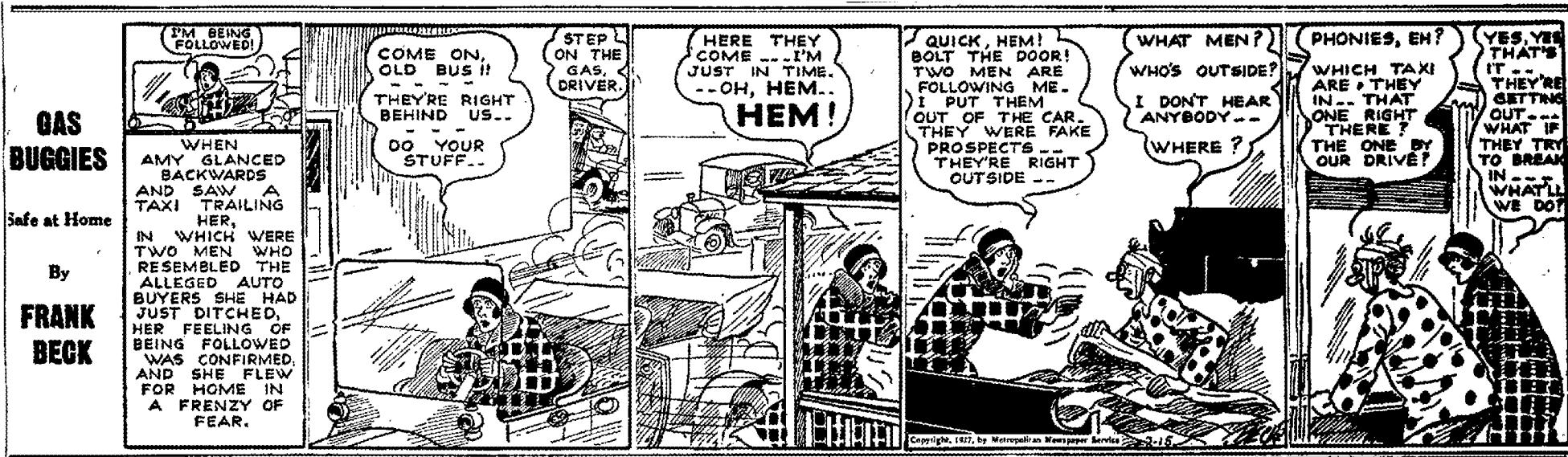


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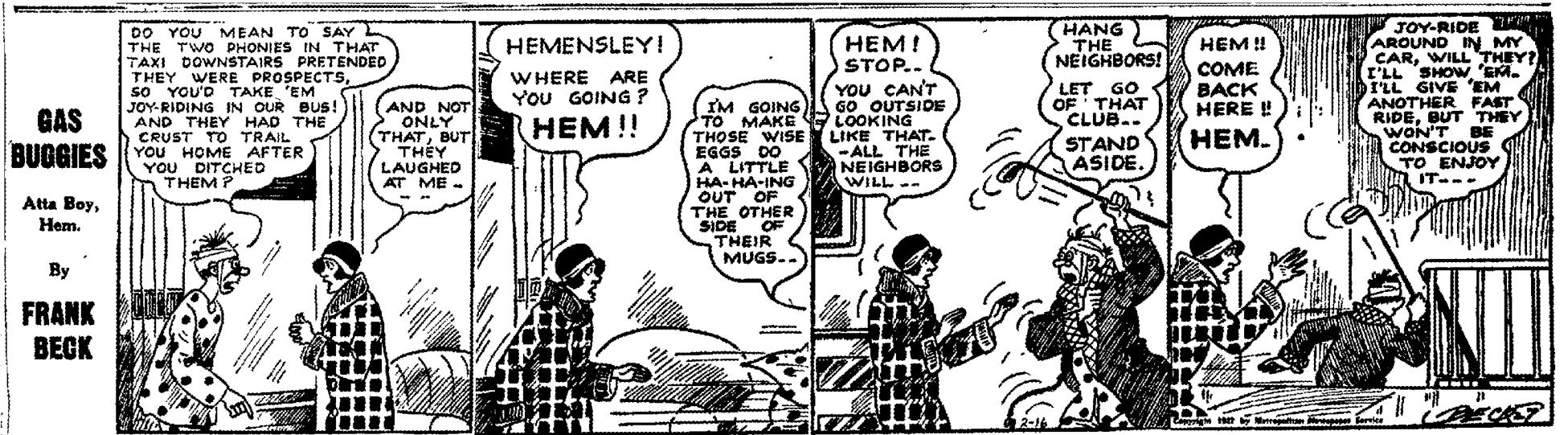


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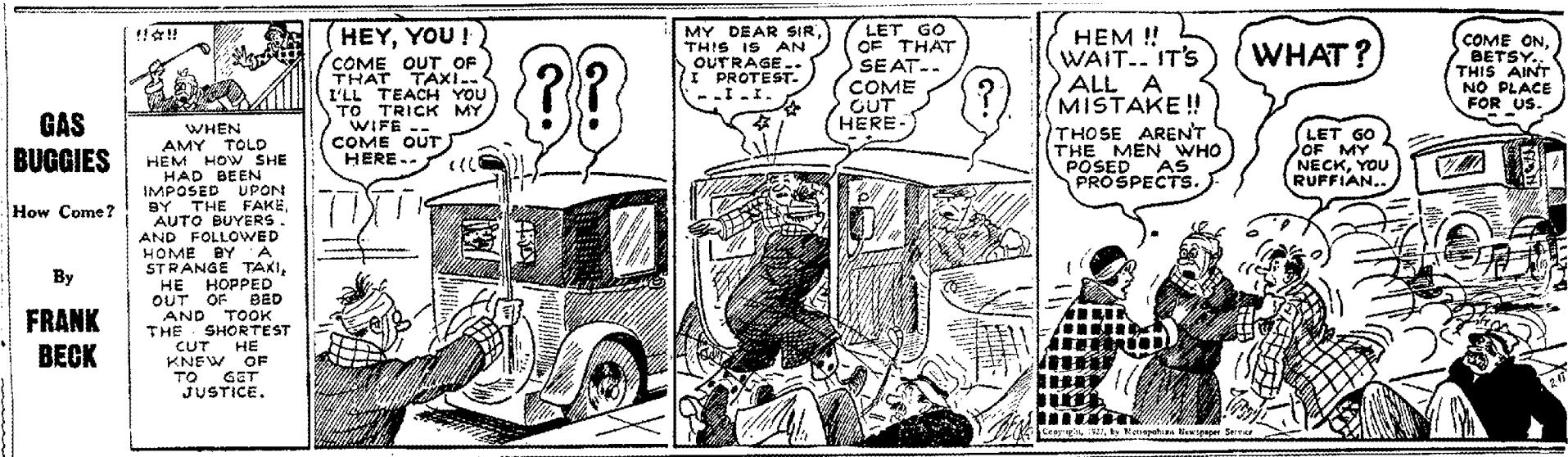


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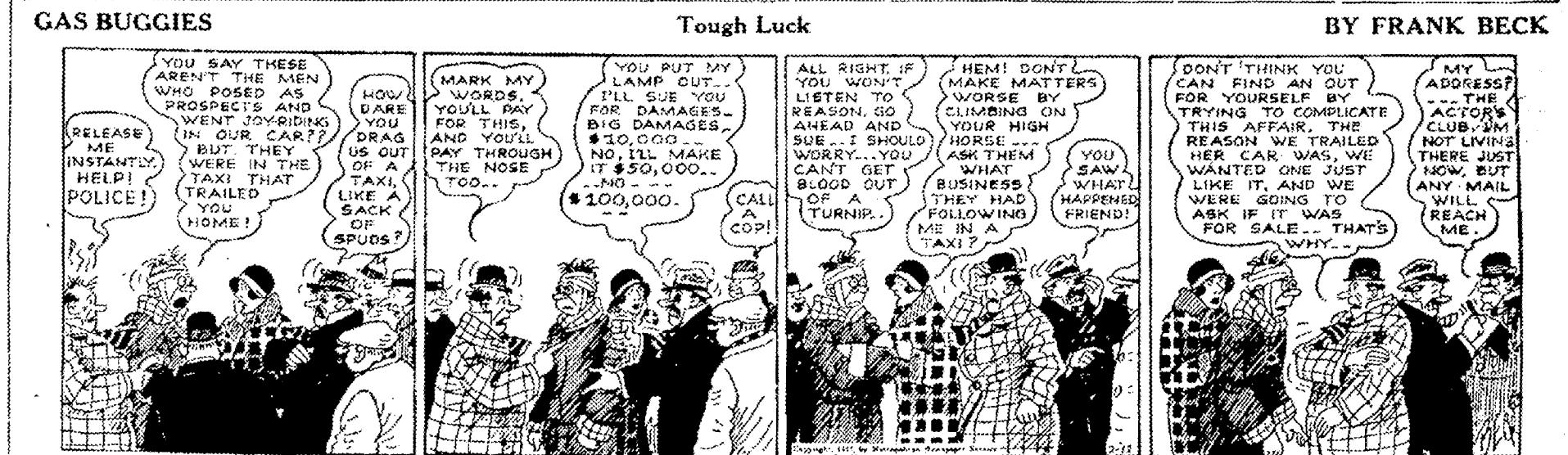


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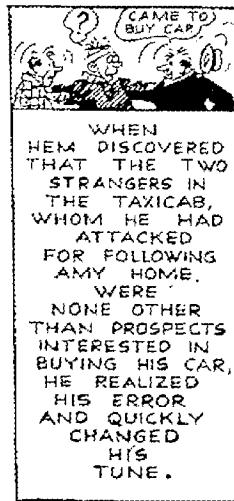


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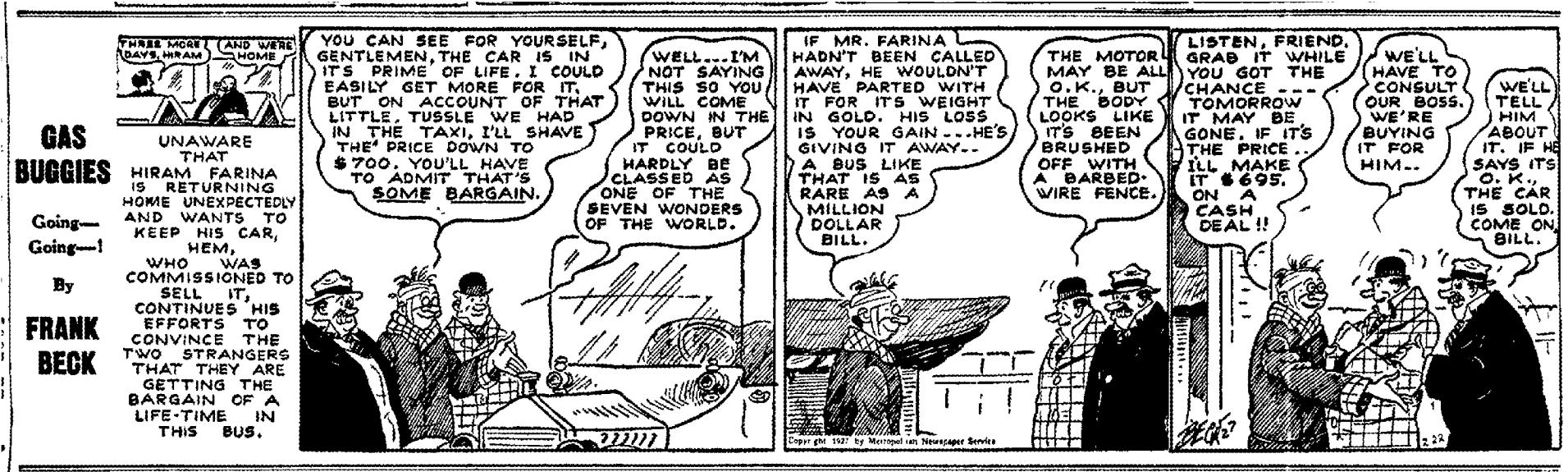
UNFORESEEN DEVELOPMENTS IN THE BUSINESS THAT CALLED HIM TO A DISTANT CITY PERMIT HIRAM FARINA TO RETURN, AND SO TODAY, JUST AS HEM HAS LOCATED A LIVE PROSPECT FOR HIS CAR, HE IS BOARDING THE TRAIN FOR HOME.



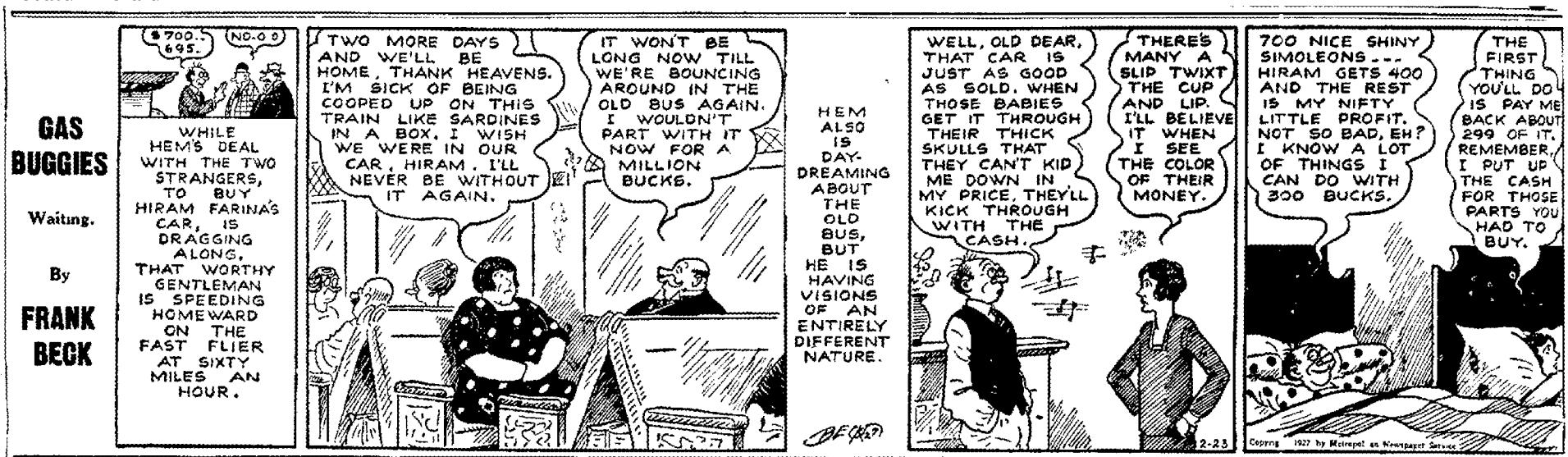
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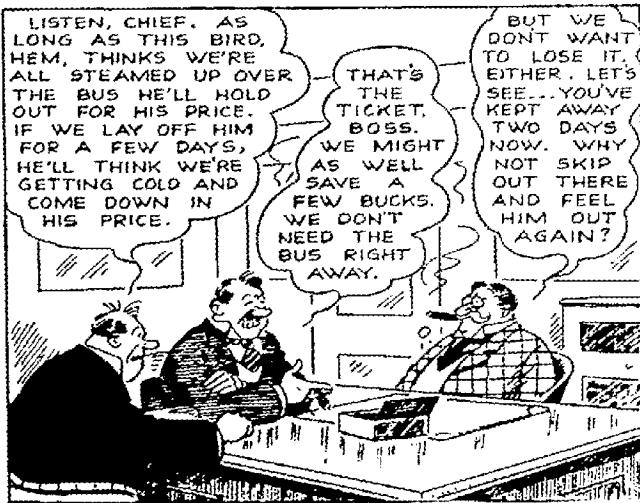
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Such Is Business

BY FRANK BECK

IF THE MYSTERIOUS STRANGERS, WHO HAVE BEEN NEGOTIATING WITH HEM FOR THE PURCHASE OF HIRAM FARINA'S CAR, HAD KNOWN HE WAS RETURNING HOME TO CLAIM IT, THEY MIGHT HAVE ADOPTED DIFFERENT TACTICS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO LOWER THE PRICE.



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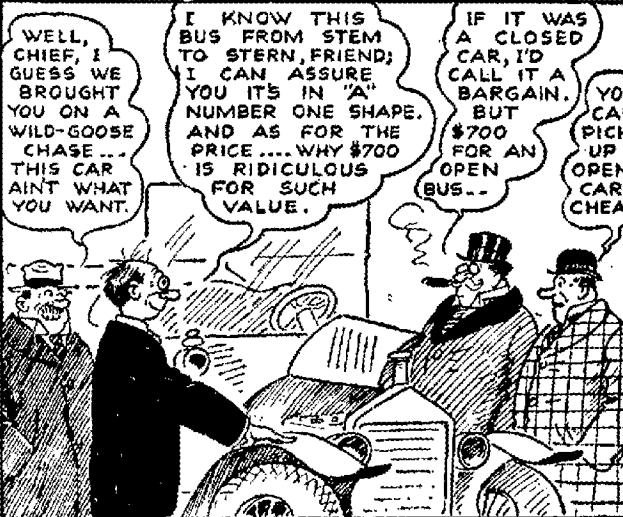
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Better Make It Snappy, Folks.

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FRANK BECK



IN THE MEANTIME, WHILE HEM IS HAGGLING OVER THE PRICE WITH HIS PROSPECTS, THE OWNER, HIRAM FARINA, ARRIVES IN TOWN HAPPILY UNCONSCIOUS OF THE IMPENDING DEAL.



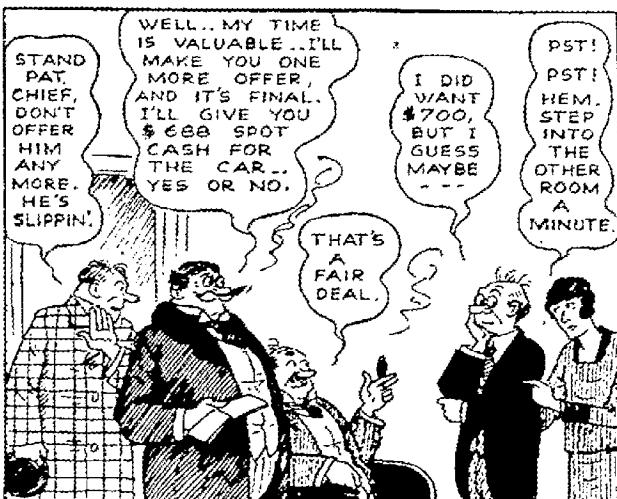
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LET'S GET CUP CAR. IT'S SO LATE. WELL, BOTHER HEM AWAY.

AND SO, WHILE THE FARINAS ARE DRIFTING APART IN THEIR DEBATE AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THEY SHOULD GO RIGHT OUT AND GET THEIR CAR, HEM AND HIS PROSPECTS ARE GETTING CLOSER TOGETHER ON A DEAL.



Trouble Brewing



BY FRANK BECK

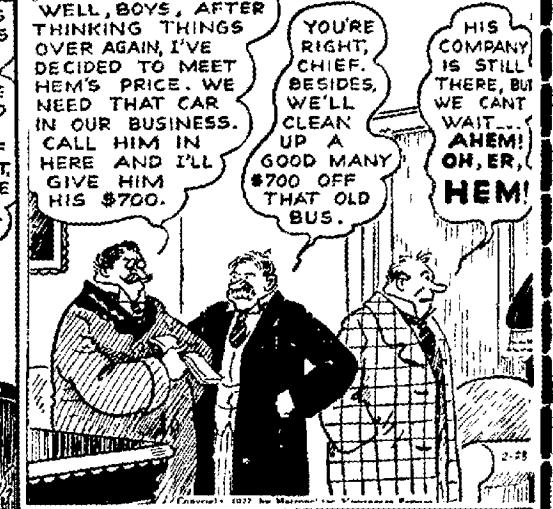
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Hem, Amy were so surprised by the sudden return of the Farinas, whose car they are selling, that they forgot all about the prospects in the next room who were waiting to close a deal.

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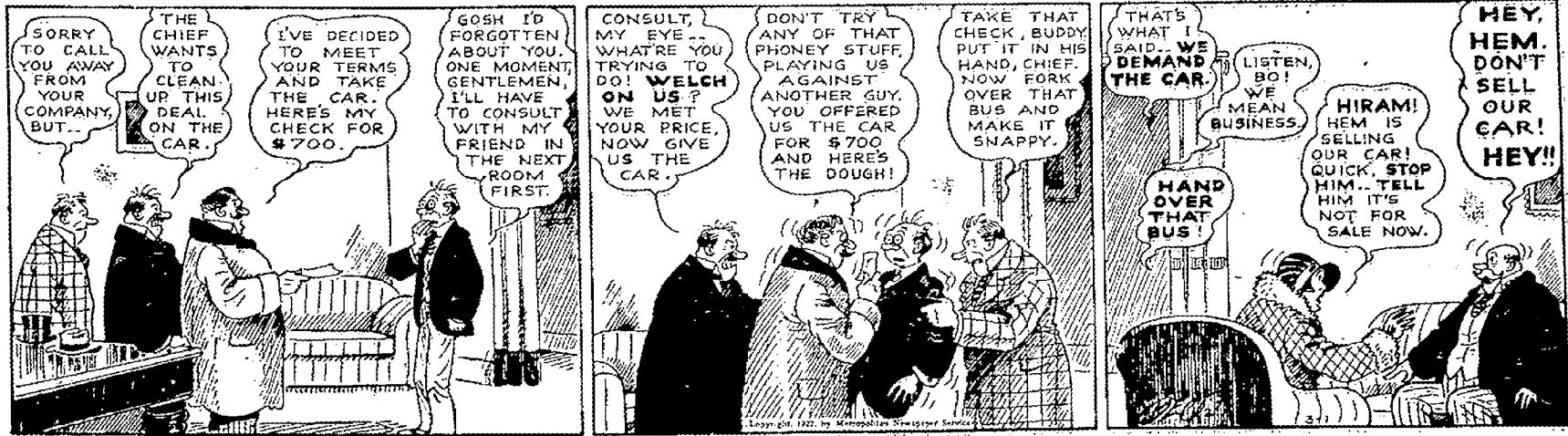
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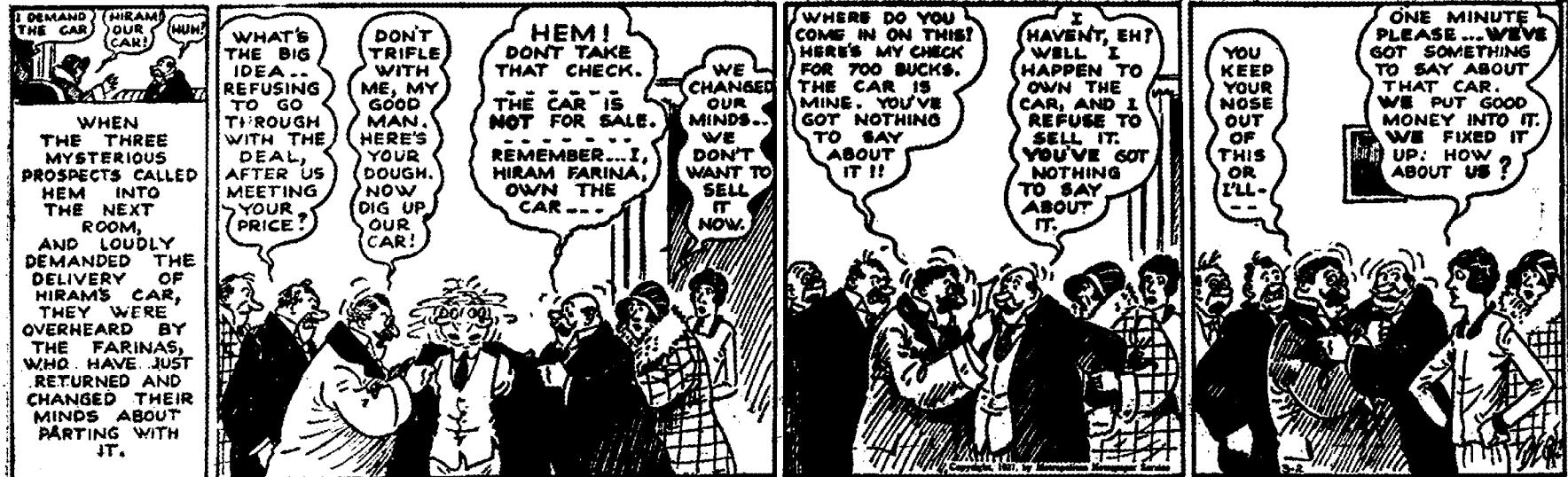


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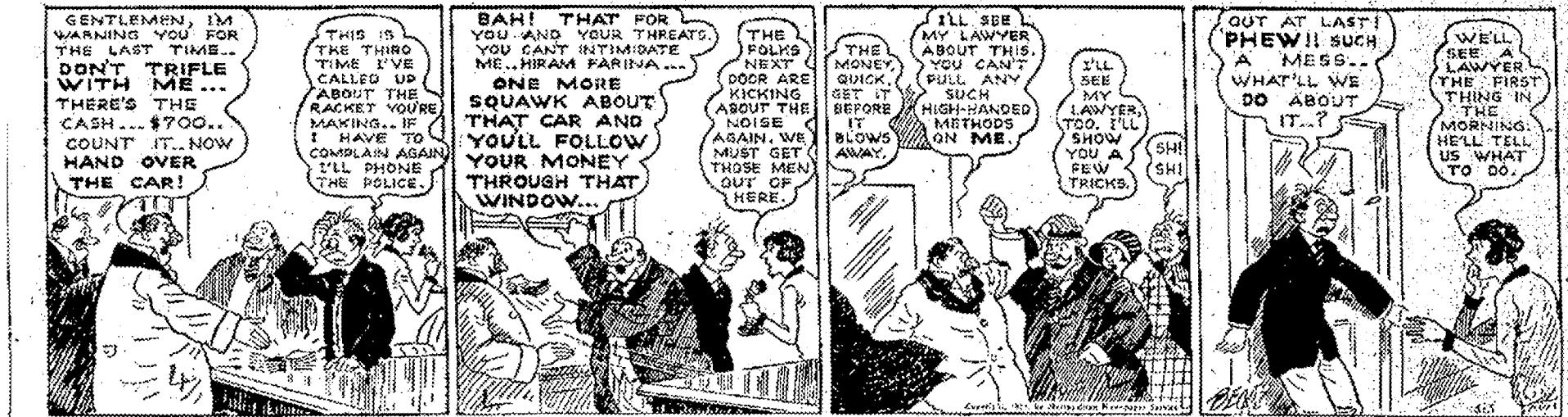


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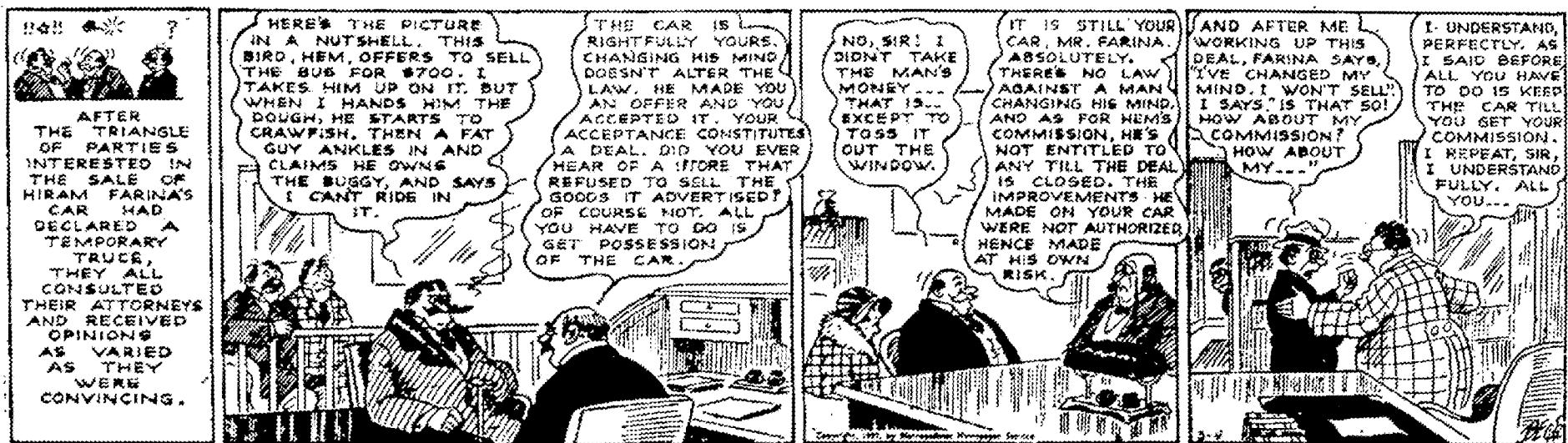
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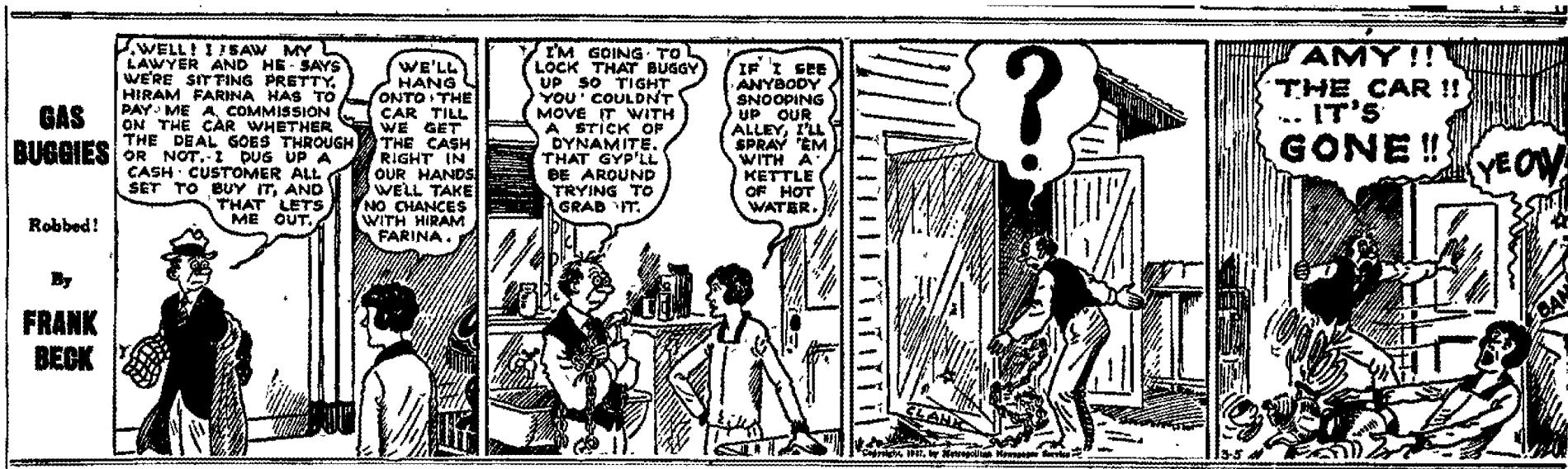
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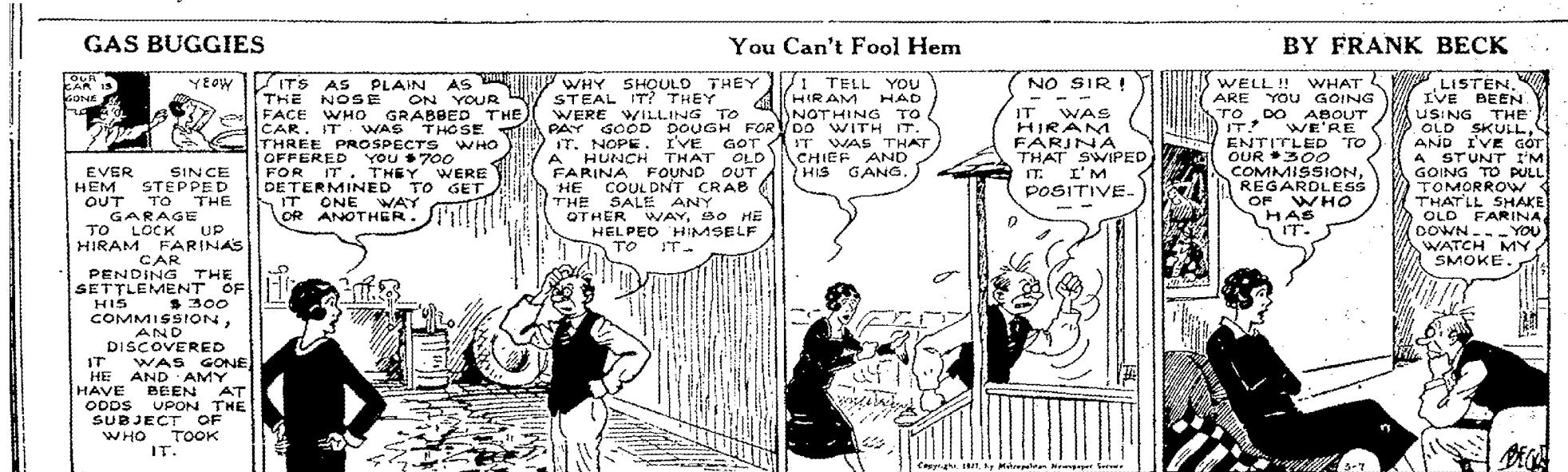


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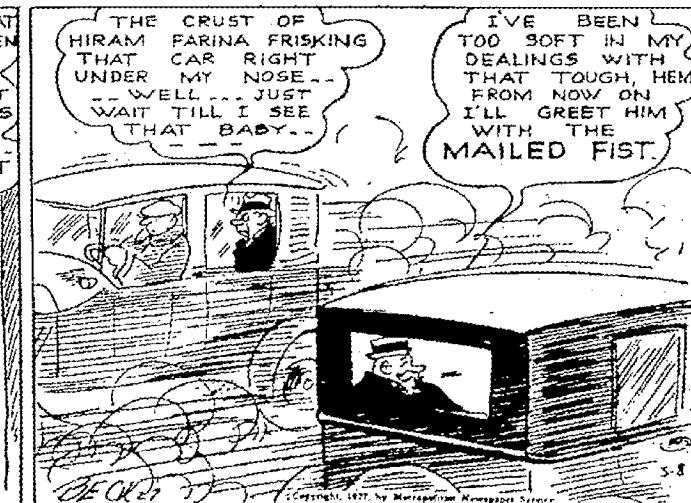
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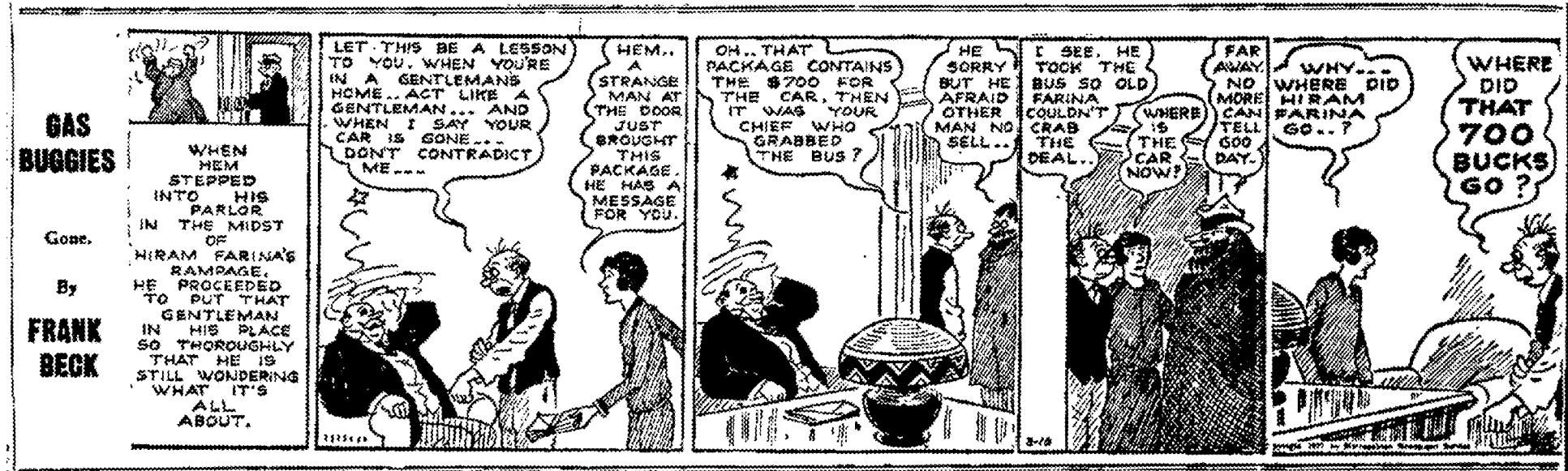


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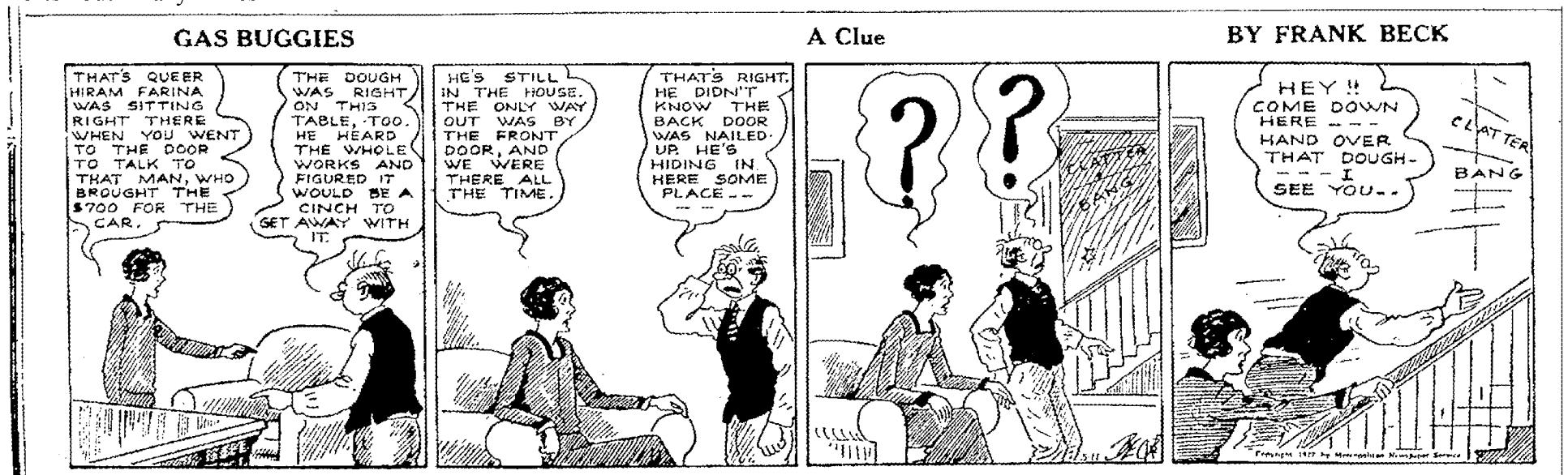
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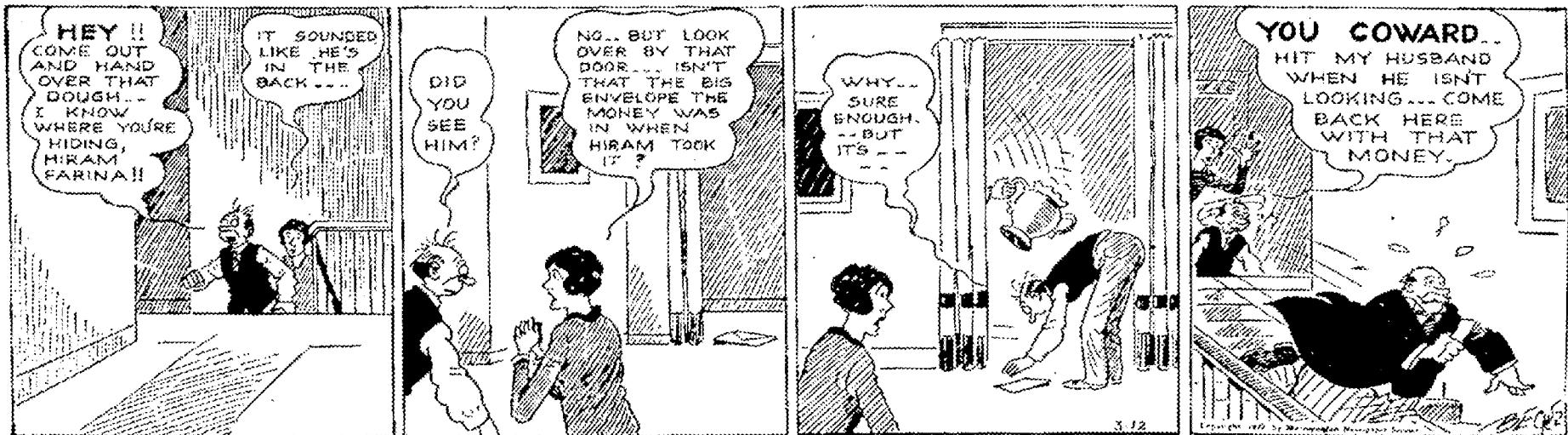
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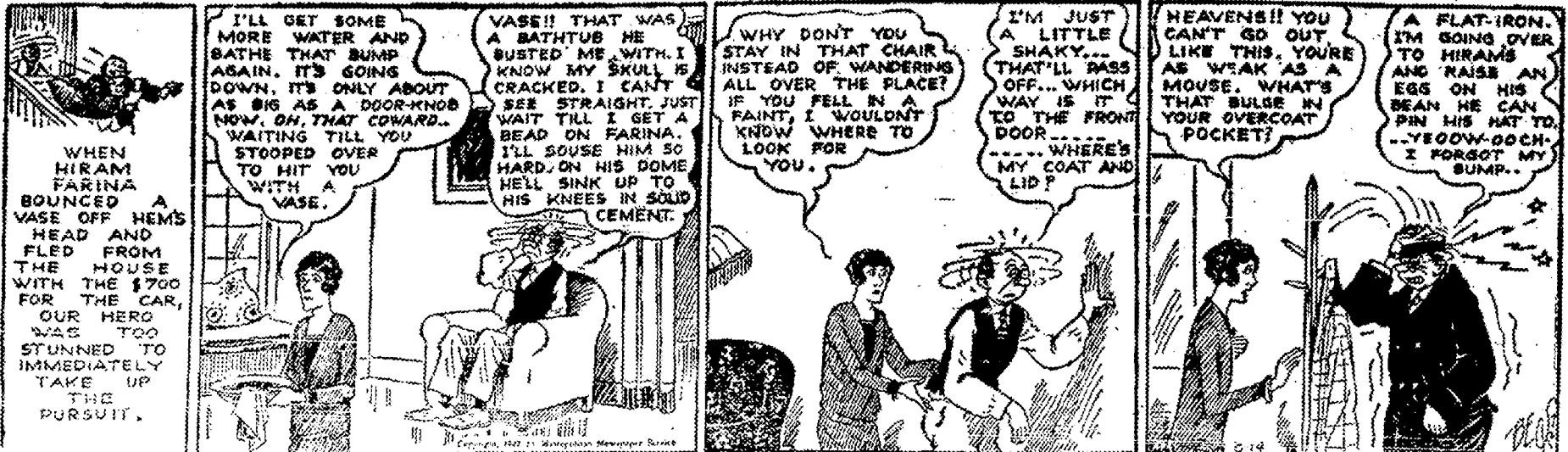


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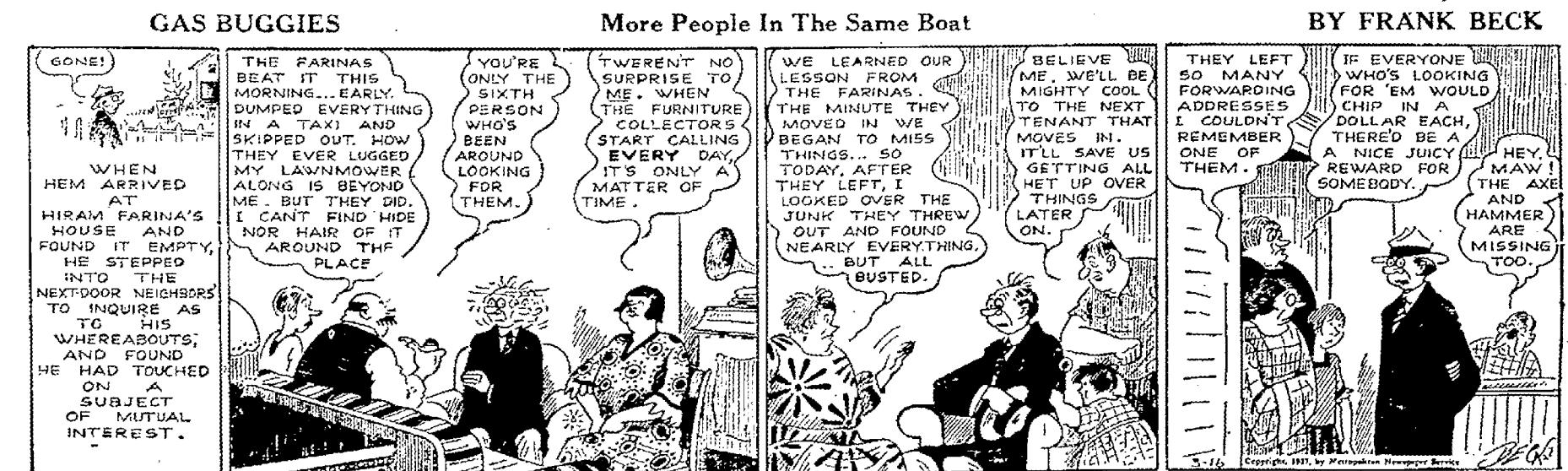
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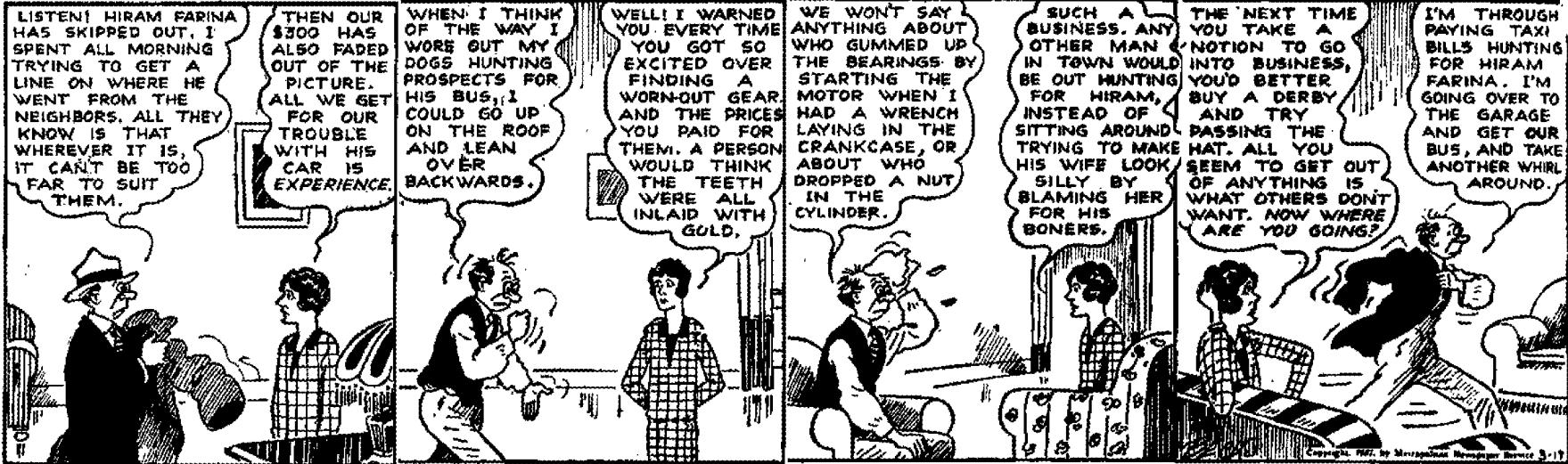
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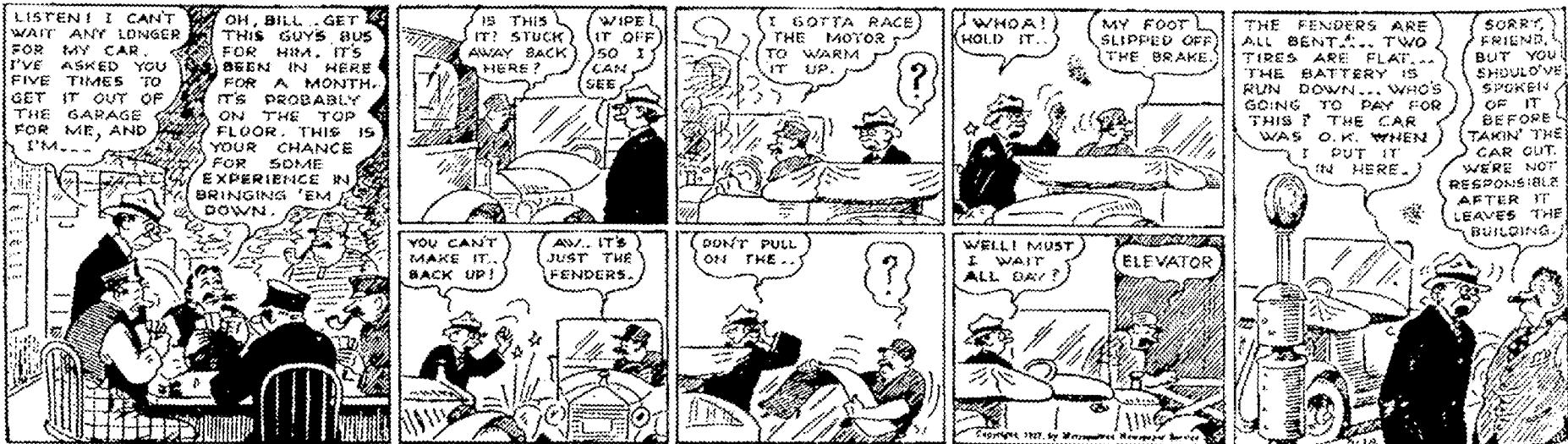
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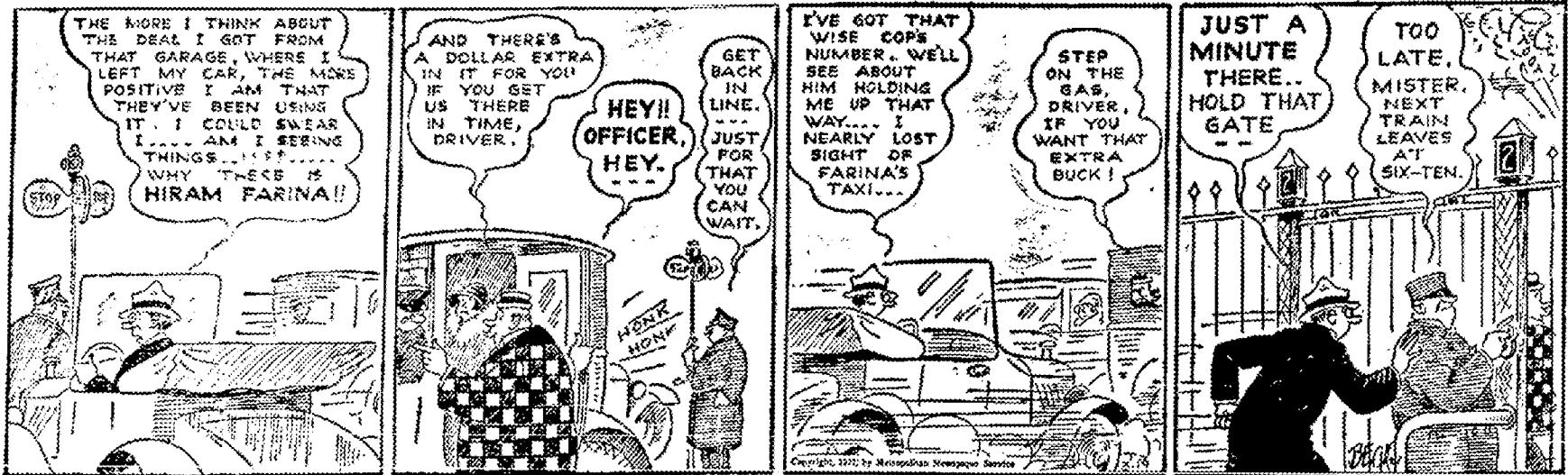
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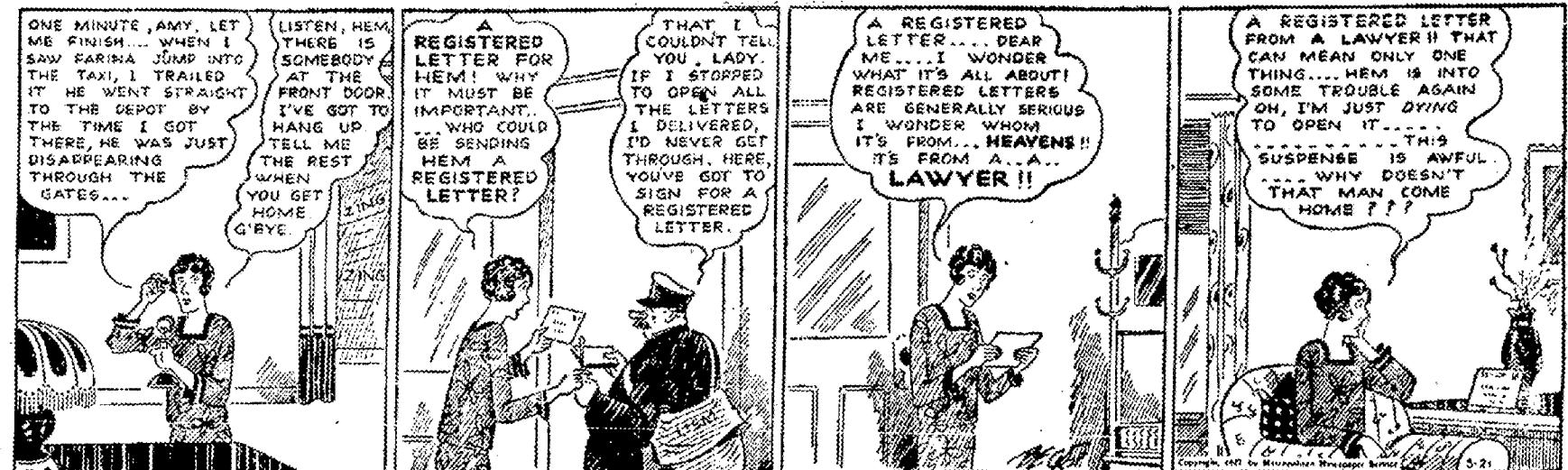
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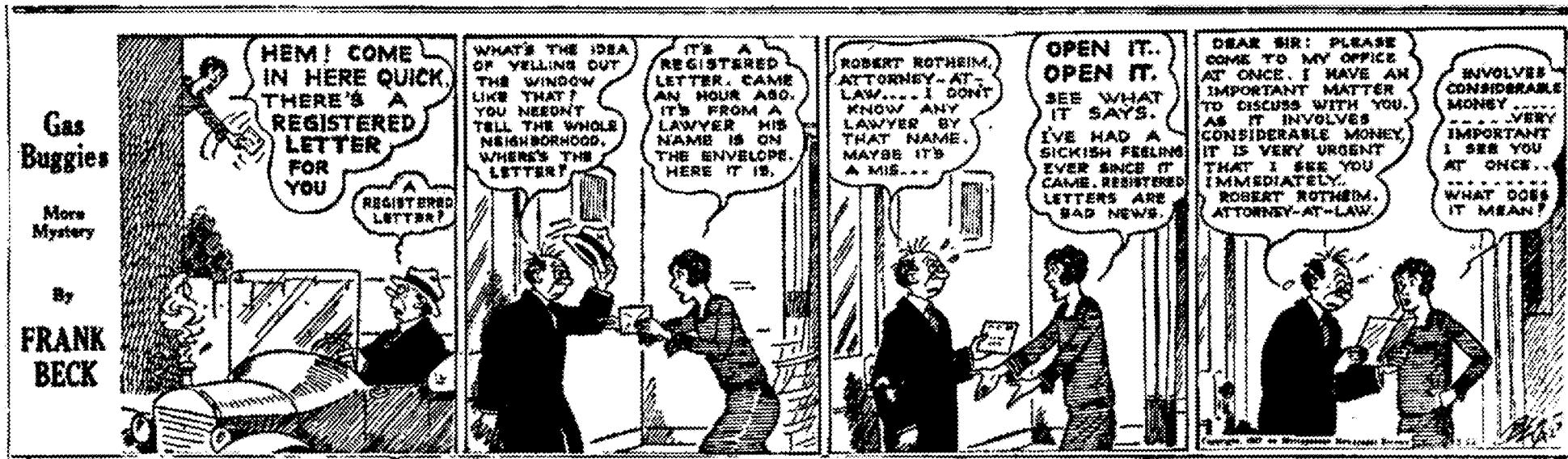


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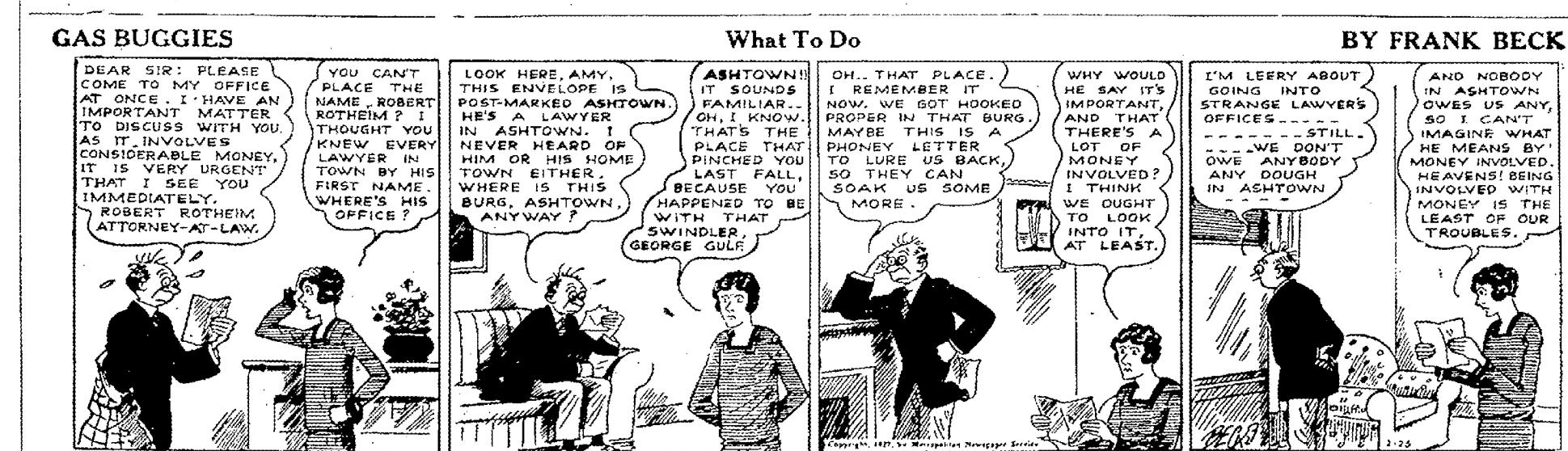
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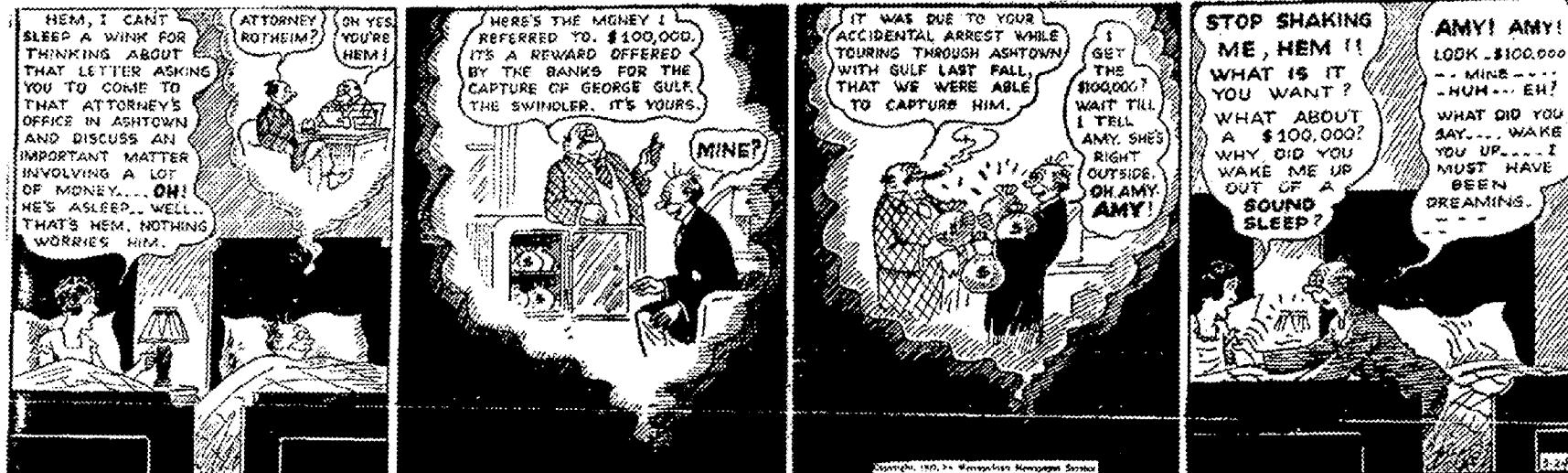
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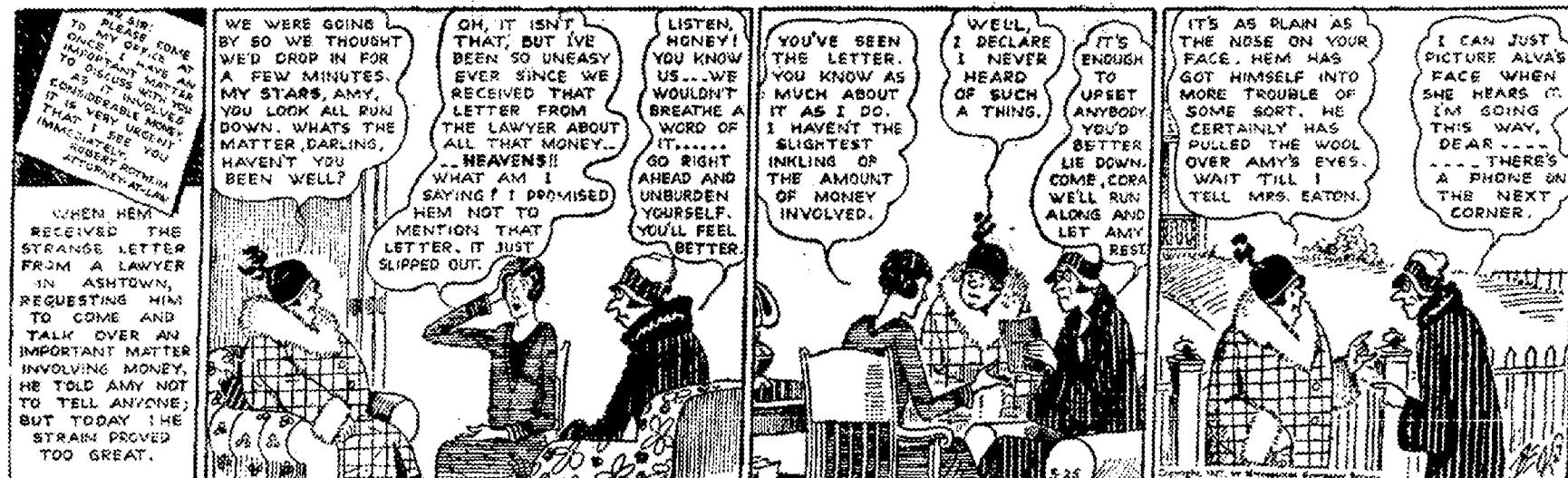


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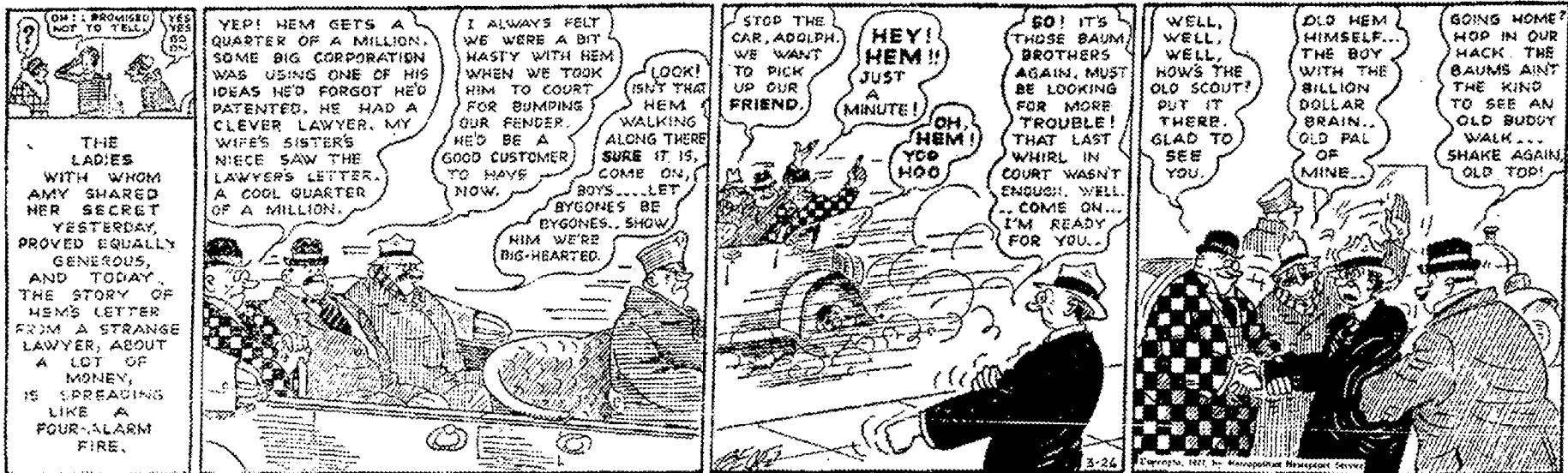


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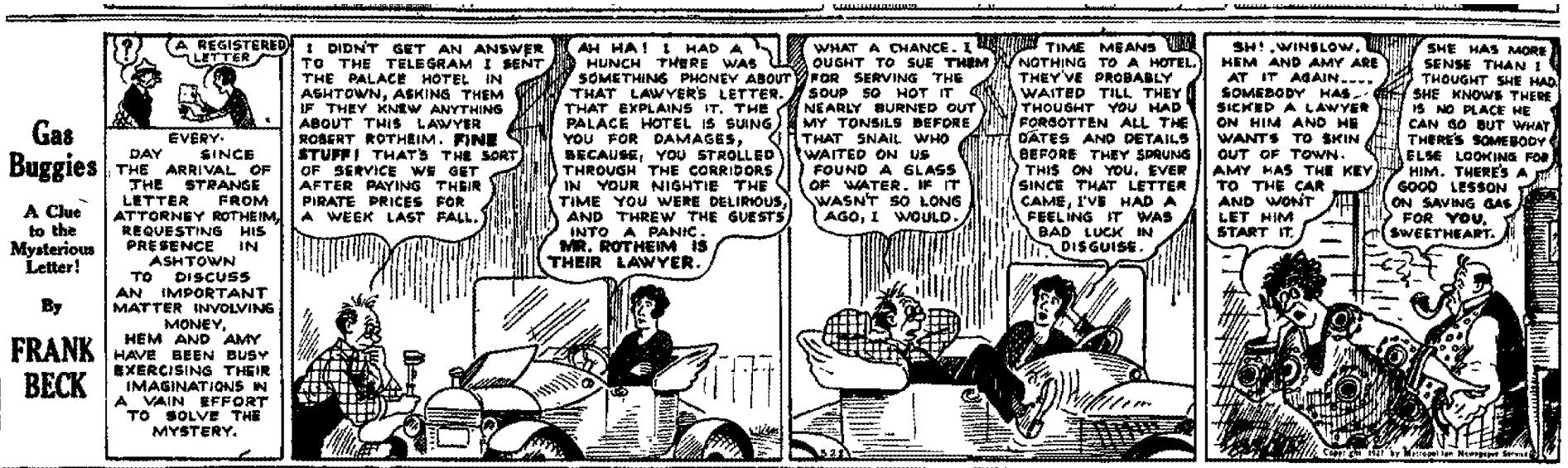
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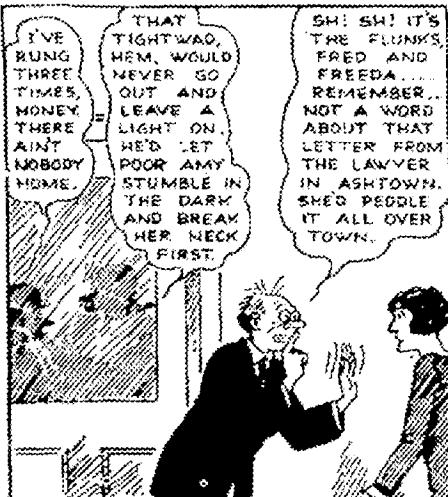
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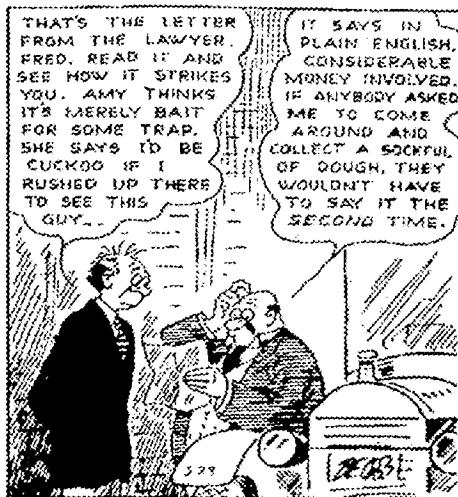
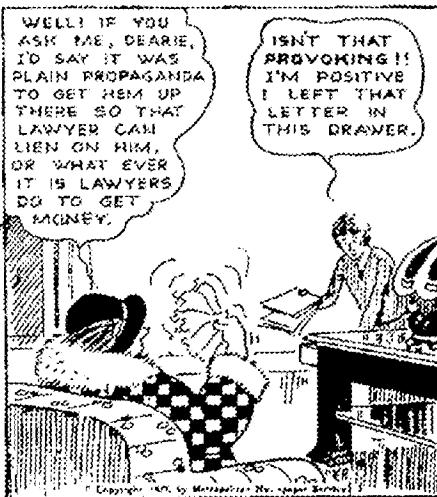
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Secrets Will Out



BY FRANK BECK

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**Gas
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Womanly
Intuition.

By

**FRANK
BECK**

WOW! AMY, LISTEN TO THIS!" DAME FORTUNE SMILES ON BROKER, ROBERT CANFIELD, WALL STREET WIZARD, FINDS FORTUNE IN OLD SILVERWARE CONCEALED IN DISCARDED THRASHING MACHINE LEFT ON FARM HE RECENTLY PURCHASED. AFTER NEIGHBORING FARMERS HAD DECLINED TO BUY IT FOR FIFTY CENTS, MR. CANFIELD STARTED DEMOLISHING IT AND THUS REVEALED TREASURES!"

WELL! WHAT ABOUT IT? THAT'S JUST THE USUAL BROKERS GOOD LUCK, HEAVENS!! LOOK AT THE FORTUNES THEY PICK UP IN GUESSING CONTESTS IN WALL STREET.

HERE'S THE POINT. THINK HOW THOSE FARMERS ARE KICKING THEMSELVES FOR TURNING DOWN THAT OLD WRECK. WELL, WE'RE IN THE SAME BOAT THEY WERE. A LAWYER WRITES US TO COME AND SEE HIM AT ONCE. CONSIDERABLE MONEY INVOLVED... YET YOU CAN'T SEE GOING UP THERE.

ALL YOU'D GET OUT OF GOING TO SEE THAT LAWYER IS A GOOD THRASHING, MINUS THE MACHINE. NO! MY INTUITION WARNS ME NOT TO GO, AND THAT SETTLES IT!

YOUR WOMANLY INTUITION HITS THE NAIL ON THE HEAD ABOUT AS OFTEN AS THE WEATHERMAN. HOW ABOUT THE TIME SCHEDKO'S RESTAURANT WAS RAFFLING OFF AN AUTOMOBILE, AND I WANTED TO TAKE THE LAST CHANCE ON IT. "DON'T BE FOOLISH," SAYS YOU, "AND THROW AWAY A QUARTER." THEN SOME BIRD BEHIND ME GRABS THE TICKET AND WINS THE JACK.

WOMANLY INTUITION.. HA-HA, DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH. I REMEMBER ANOTHER SAMPLE. WE WERE ANKLING ALONG THE STREET, AND I SPOTTED A WALLET IN THE GUTTER. WHEN I STARTED TO PICK IT UP, YOU SQUAWKED... SAID IT WAS EMPTY AND FOLKS WOULD THINK I WAS SPEARING SNIPES. ANOTHER DAME WITHOUT ANY INTUITION SNAPPED IT UP AND POCKETED FIFTY BUCKS.

ARE YOU TRYING TO START SOMETHING ALL RIGHT. THERE'S A DISH TOMB HOP TO IT!!



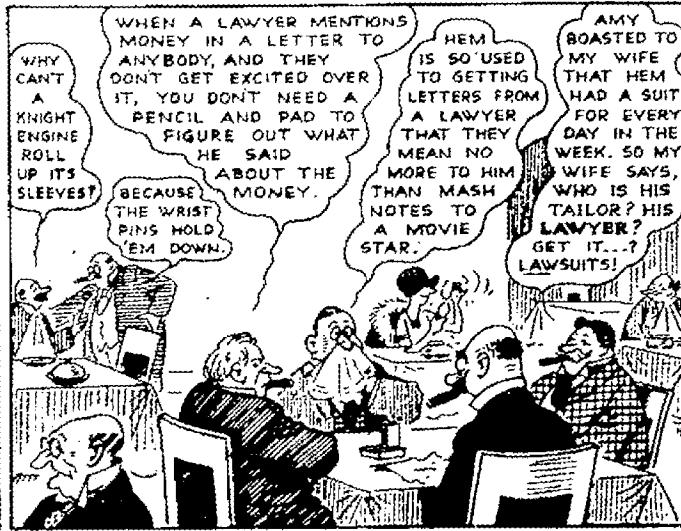
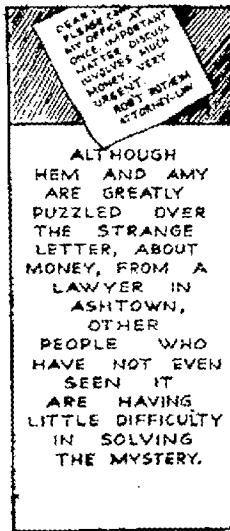
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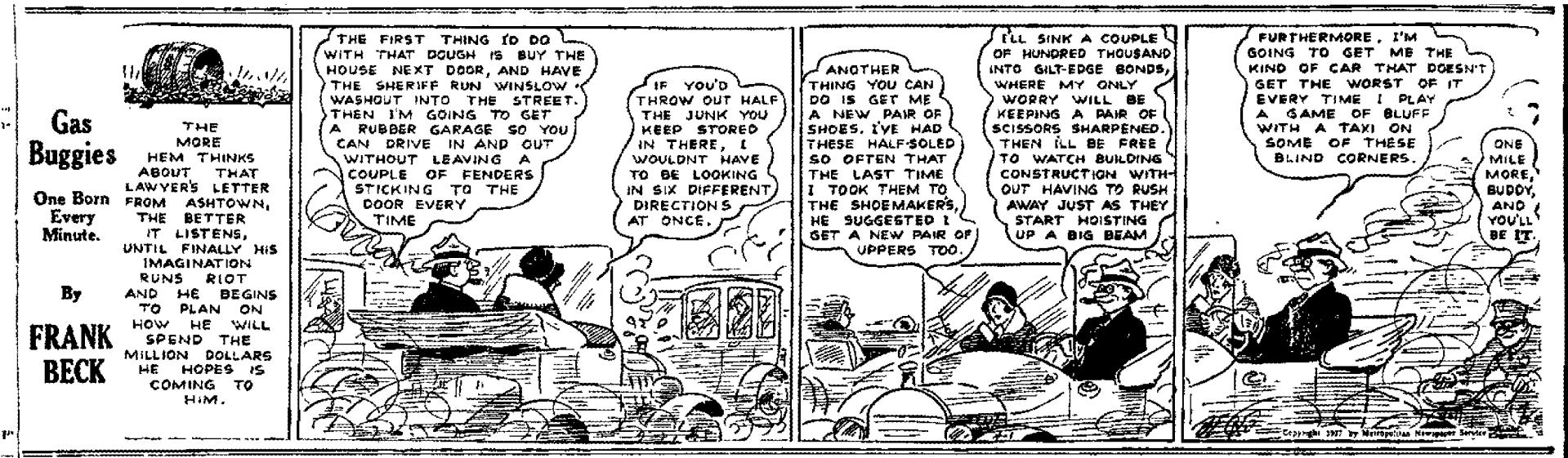
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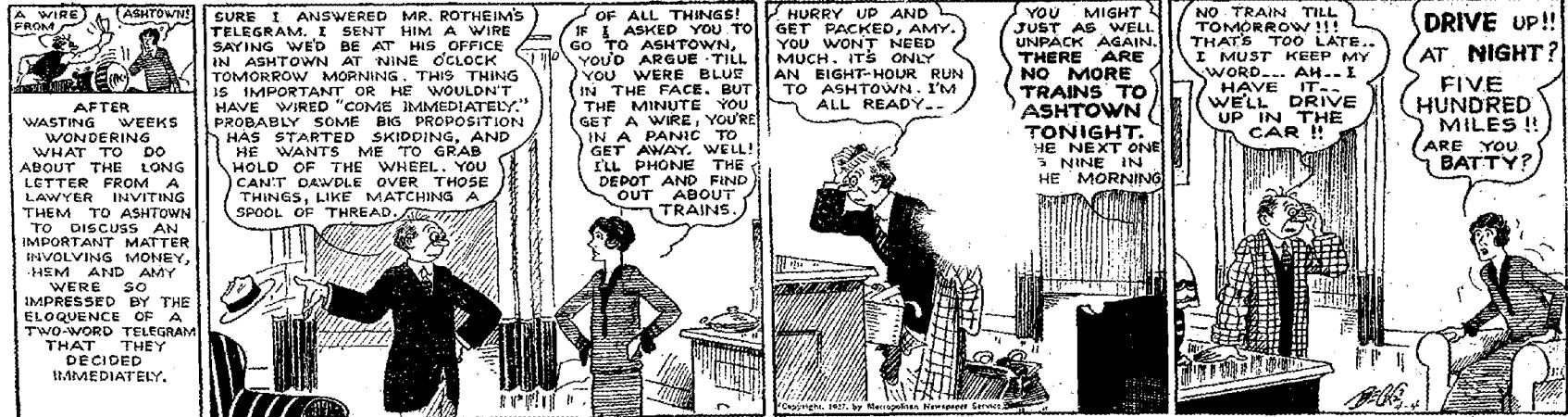


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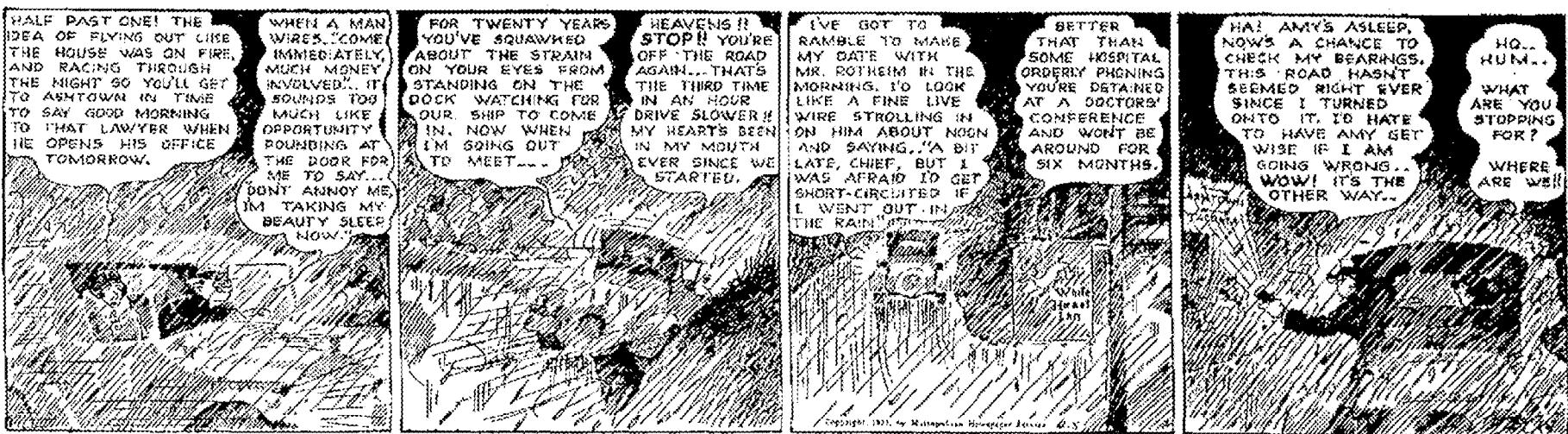
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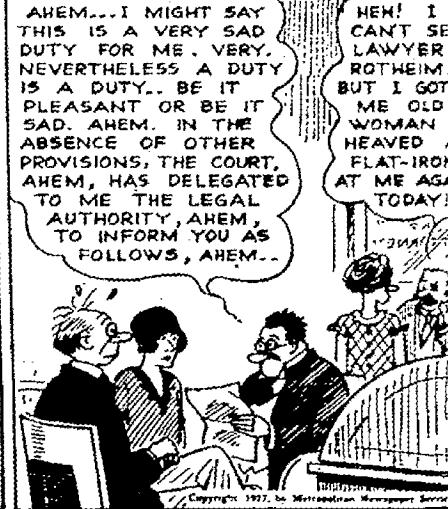
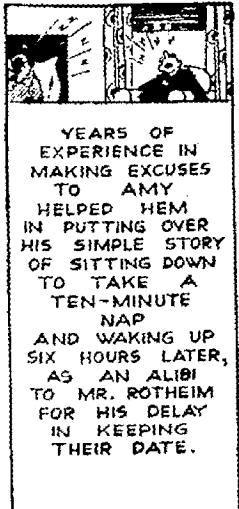


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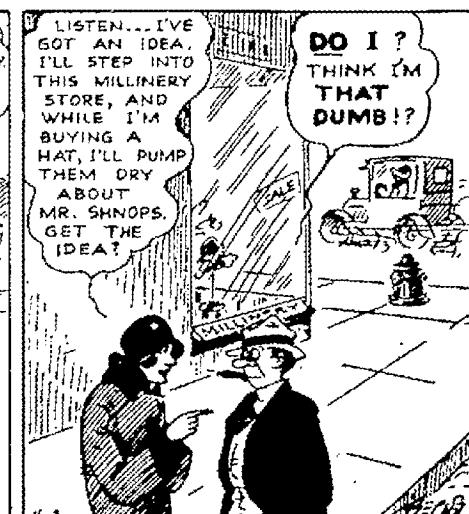
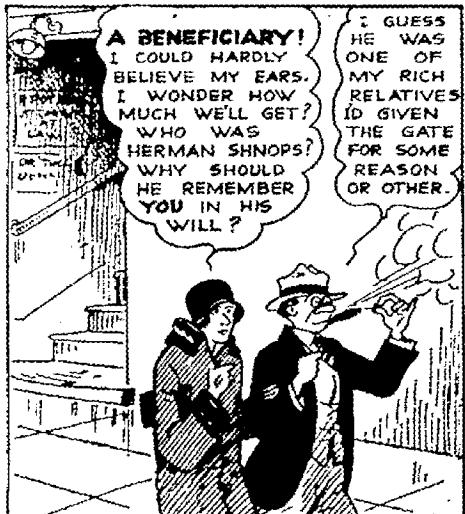
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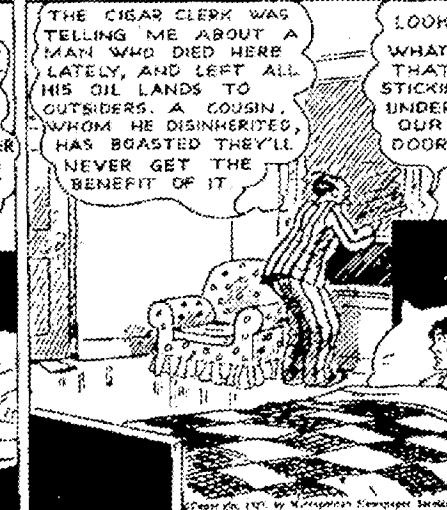
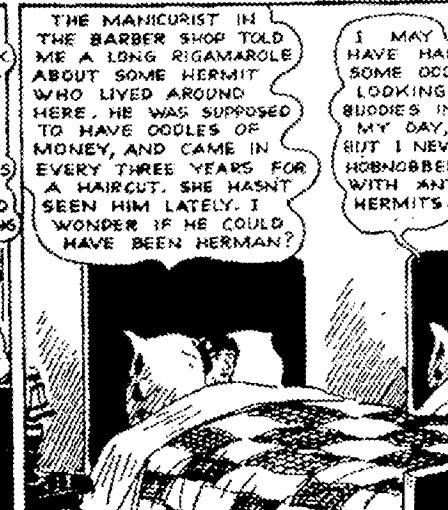


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Beware,
Hem!

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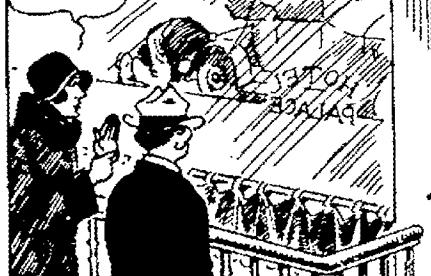


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I'VE BEEN WORRIED ABOUT THAT NOTE WARNING YOU NOT TO TRY AND COLLECT YOUR SHARE OF HERMAN SHNOPS'S ESTATE. I WOULDN'T WANT ANYTHING TO HAPPEN.... SAY... WHAT'S THAT MAN DOING UNDER OUR CAR?

I DON'T KNOW, BUT I'LL SOON FIND OUT.



I DIDN'T LIKE HIS LOOKS A LITTLE BIT. HE REMINDED ME OF A SNAKE. AND HIS LONG RIGAMAROLE ABOUT DROPPING A NICKEL THAT ROLLED UNDER OUR CAR SOUNDED FISHY TO ME.

OH, I GUESS HE'S HARD-UP. BUT AT THAT, IF A NICKEL LOOKS SO BIG TO HIM, HE SHOULDN'T HAVE ANY TROUBLE FINDING IT.



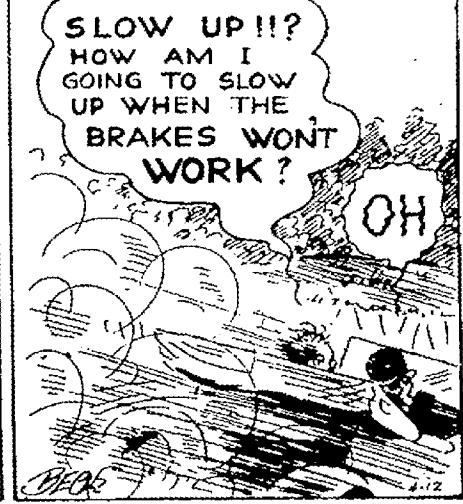
Ah Ha! Dirty Work

HEY... HEM... I KNOW YOU WANT TO BE ON TIME FOR THE READING OF THE WILL, BUT THERE'S NO SENSE IN RACING DOWN HILL... HEM! SLOW UP...



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SLOW UP!!? HOW AM I GOING TO SLOW UP WHEN THE BRAKES WON'T WORK?

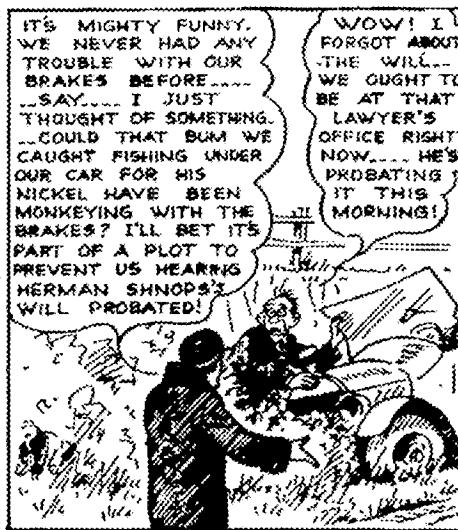


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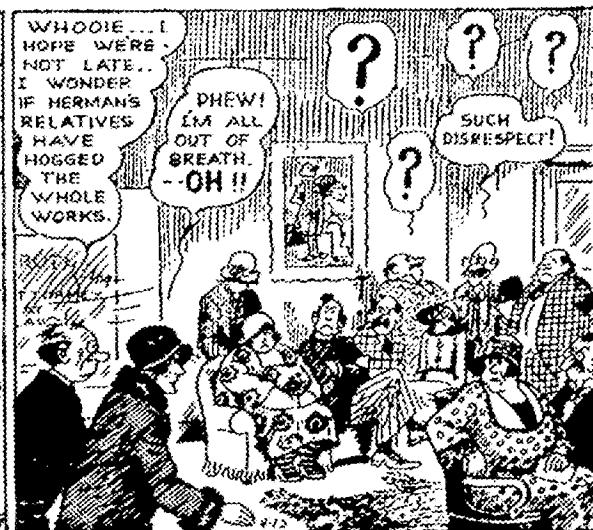
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Come Early And Avoid The Rush



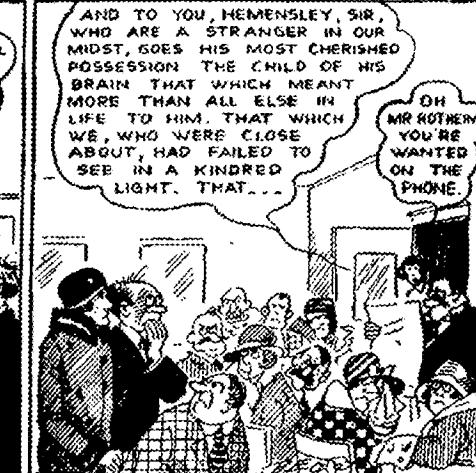
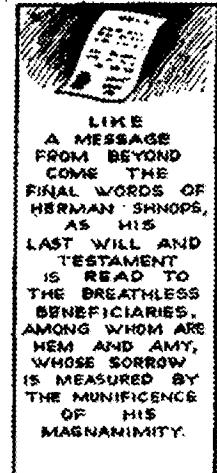
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MR ROTHEM

YOU'RE

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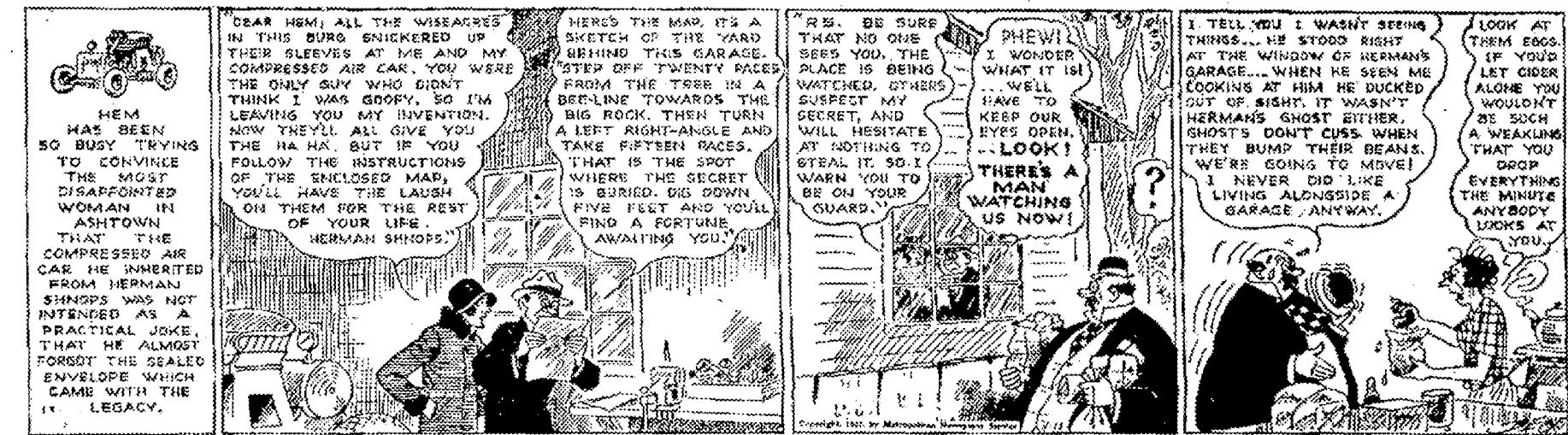
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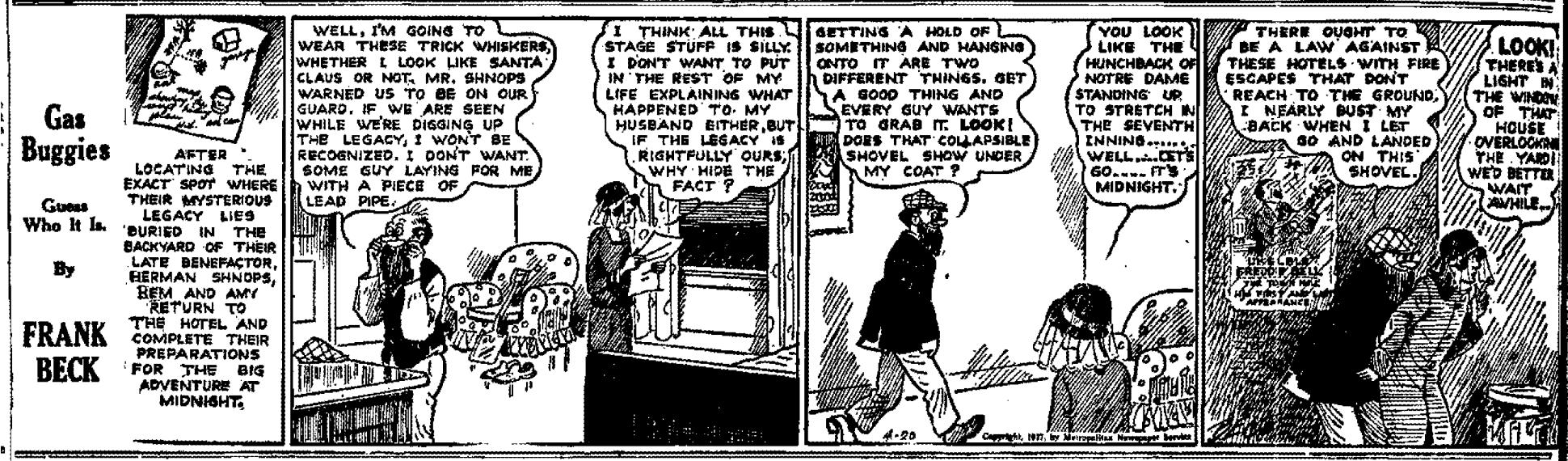


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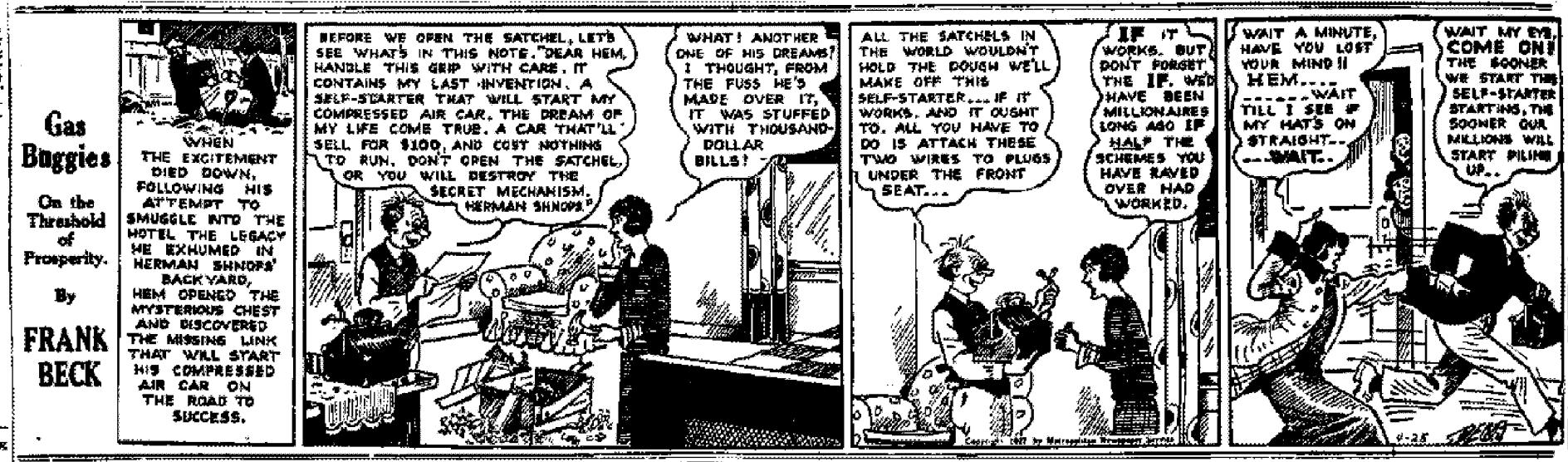
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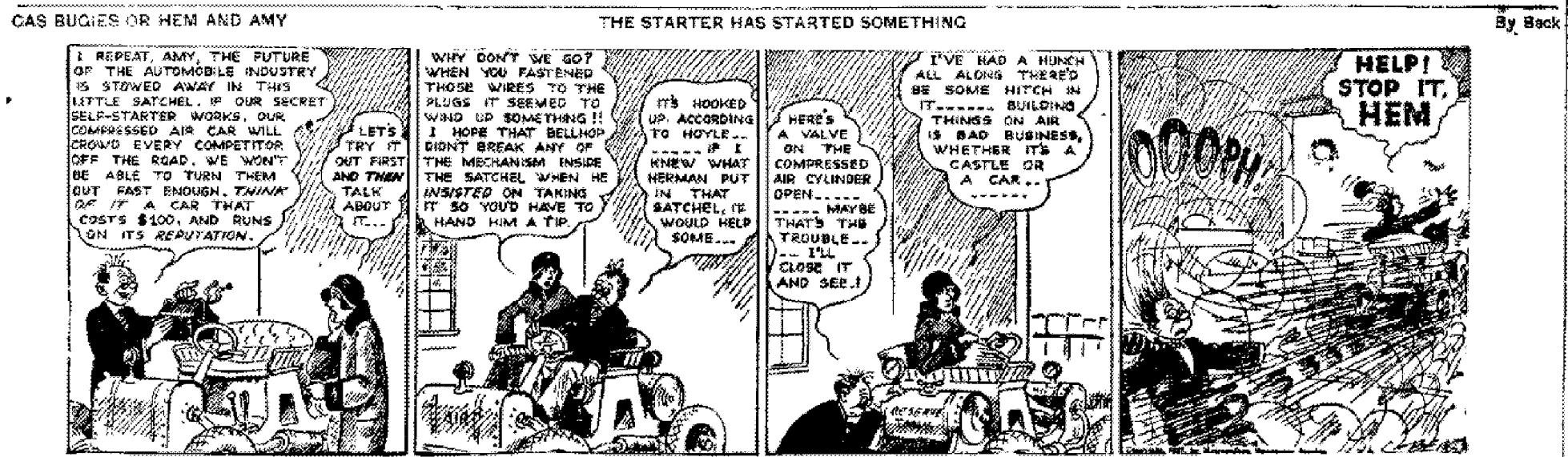


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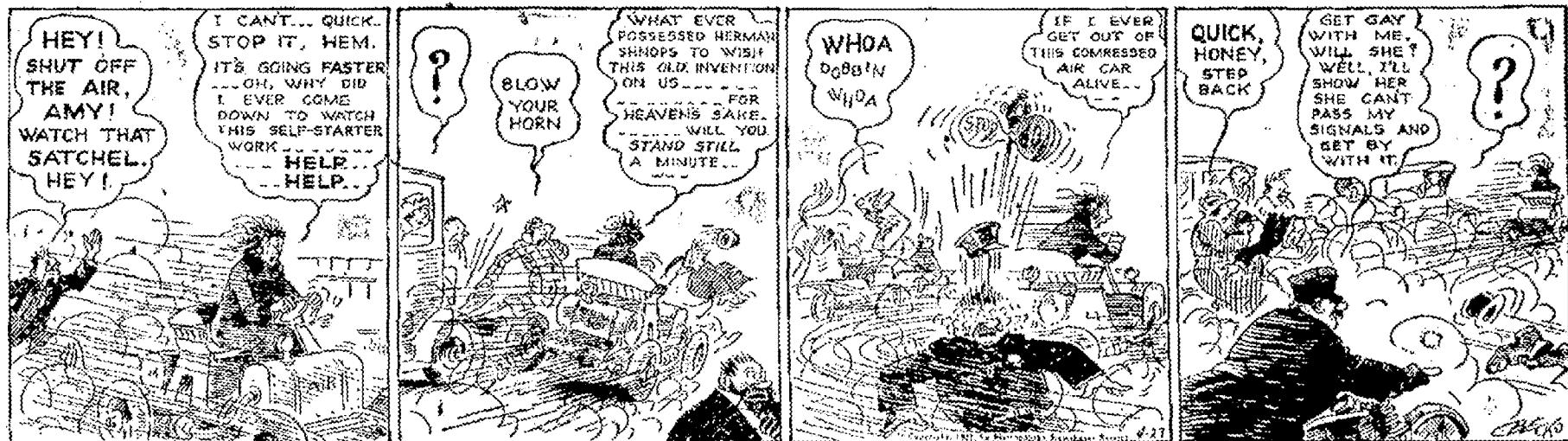


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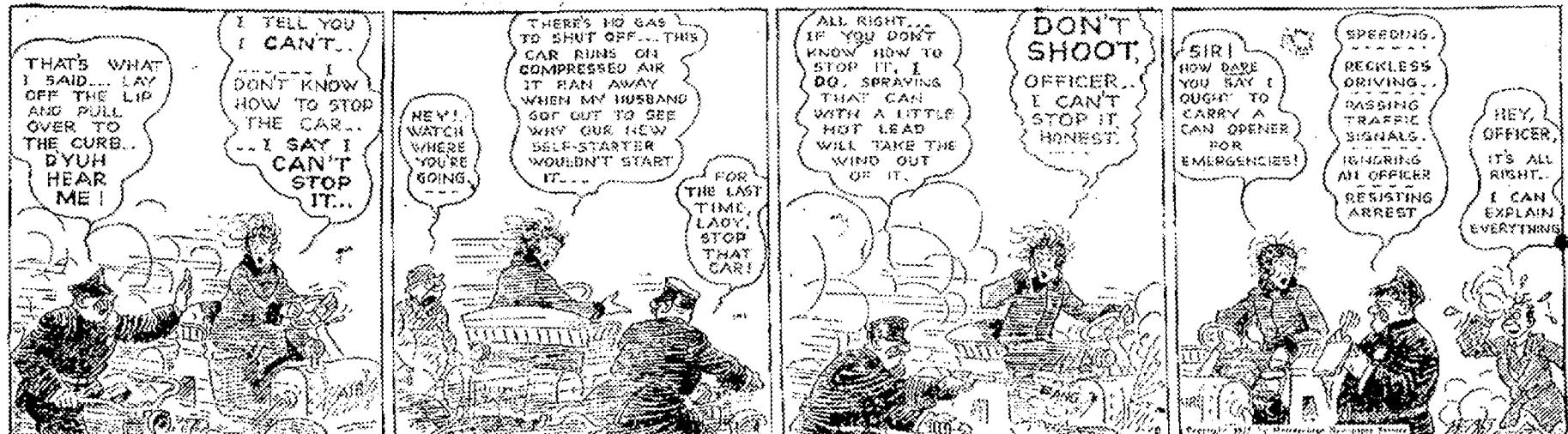
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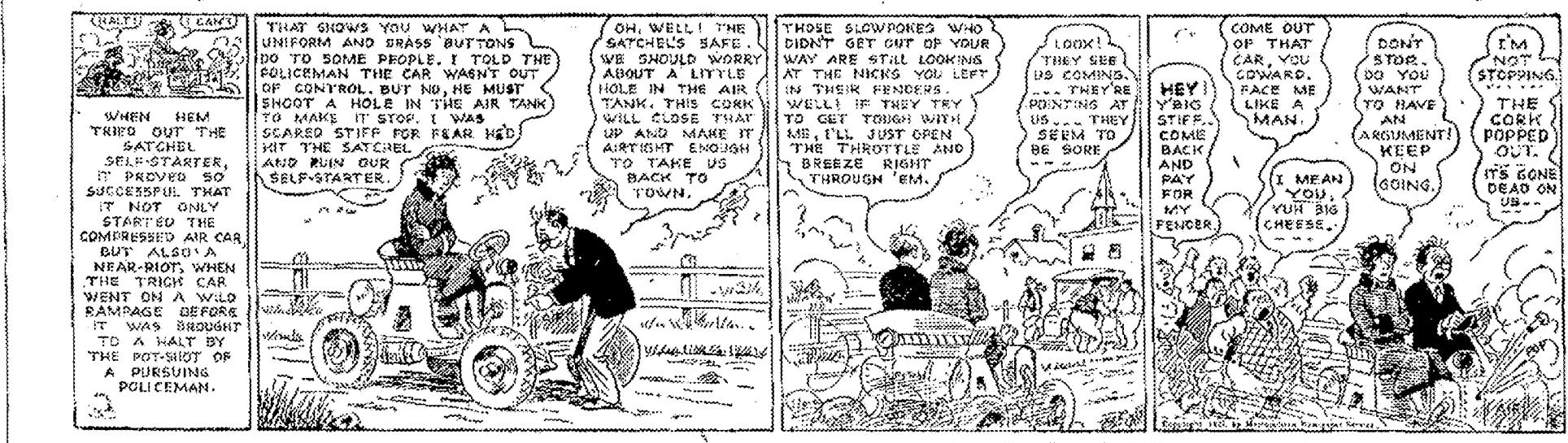


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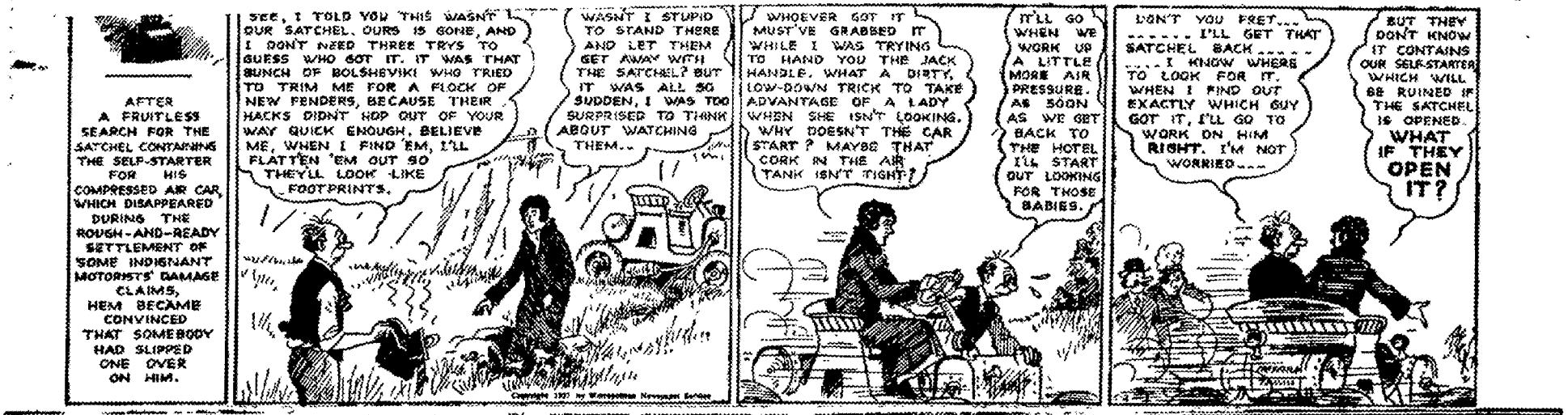


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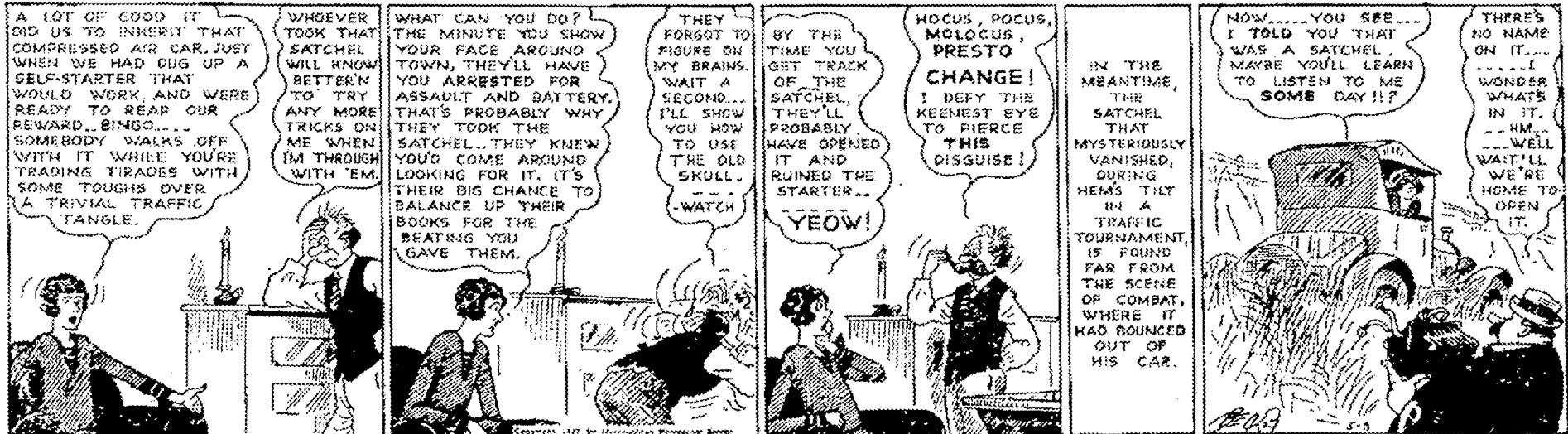
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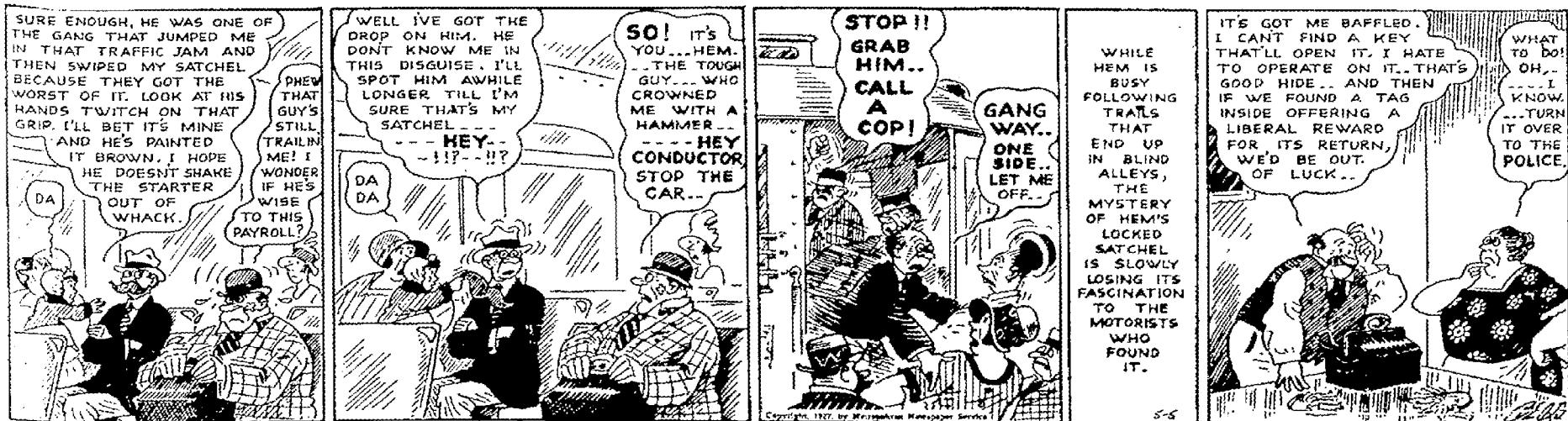


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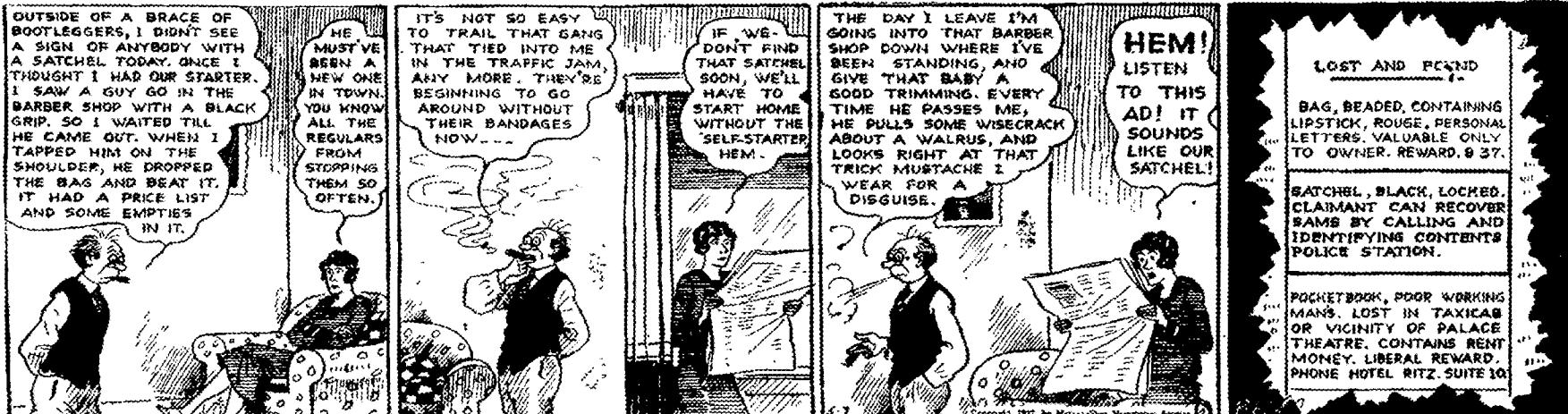
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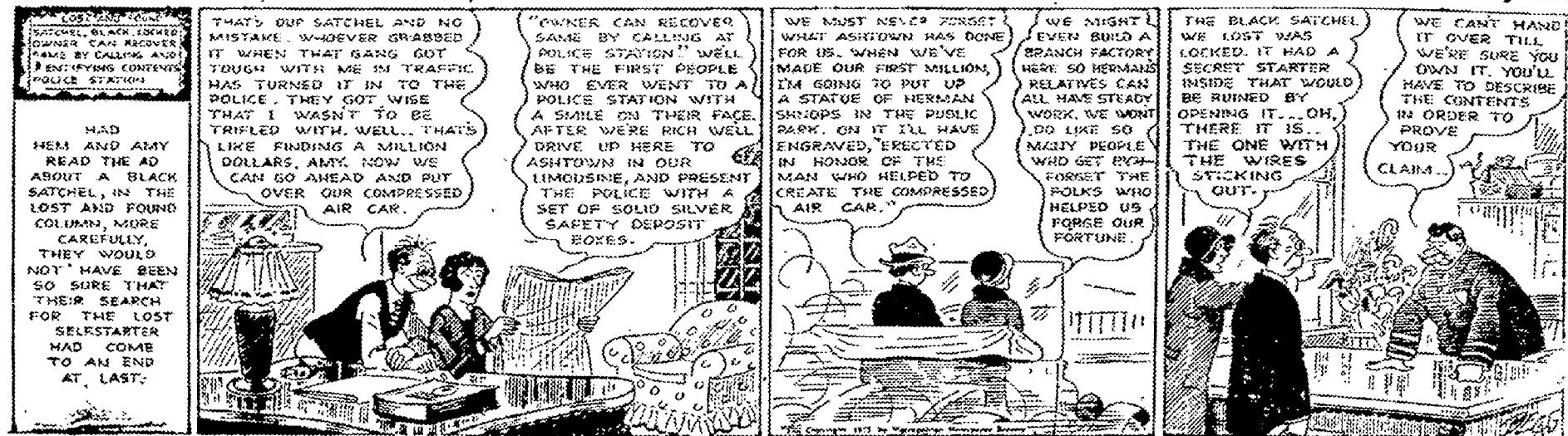
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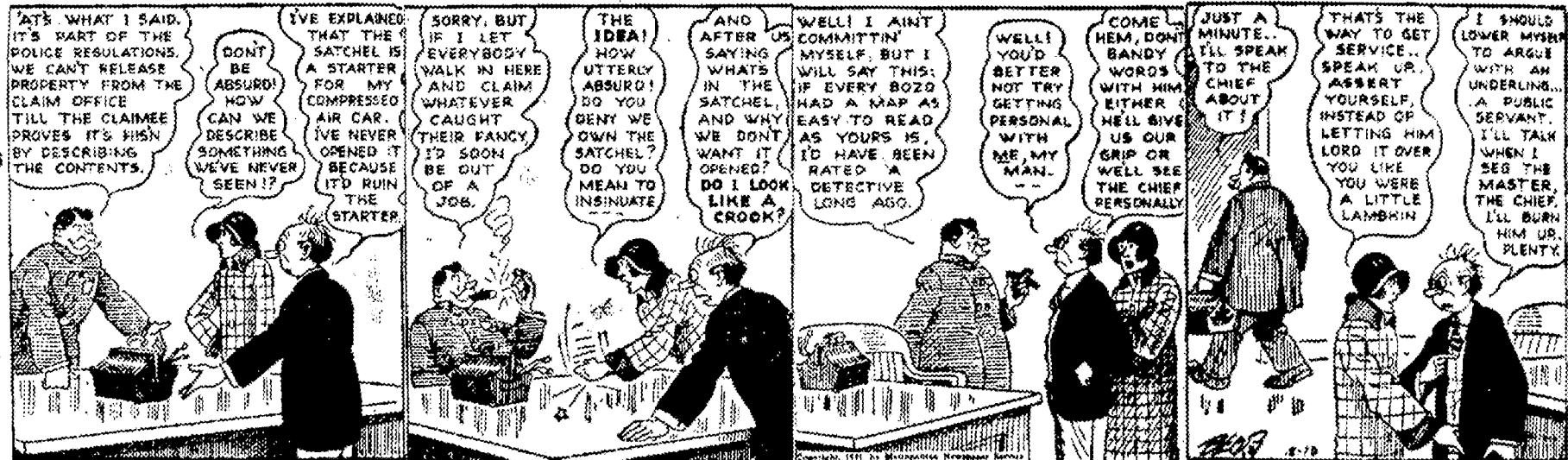


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Have Him Arrested,
Hem!

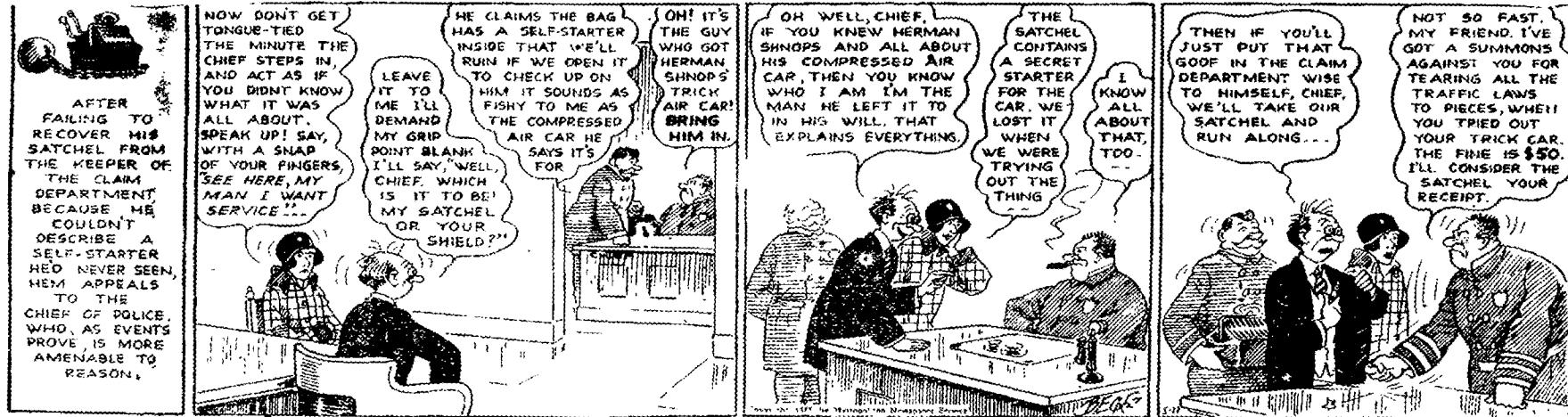
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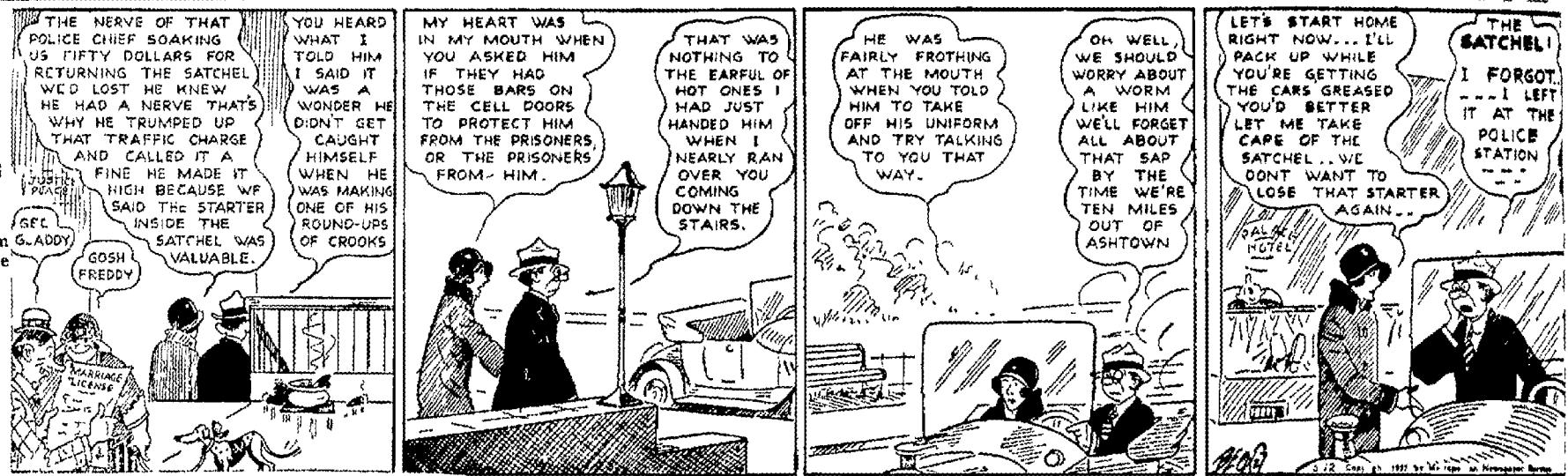


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Maybe Hem Was a Little Hasty.

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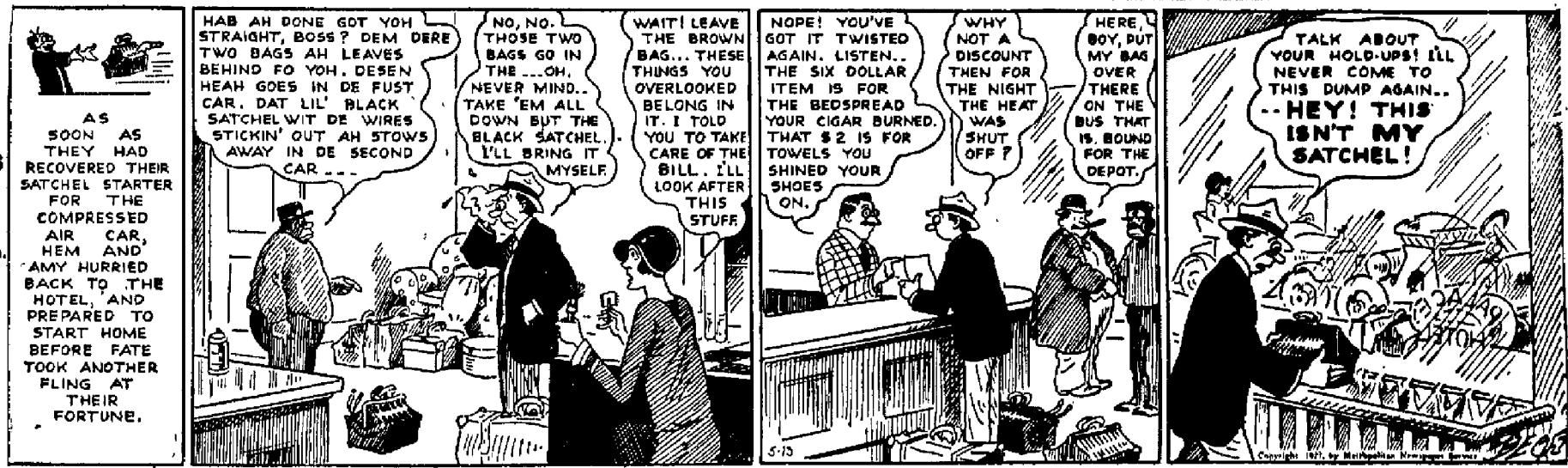


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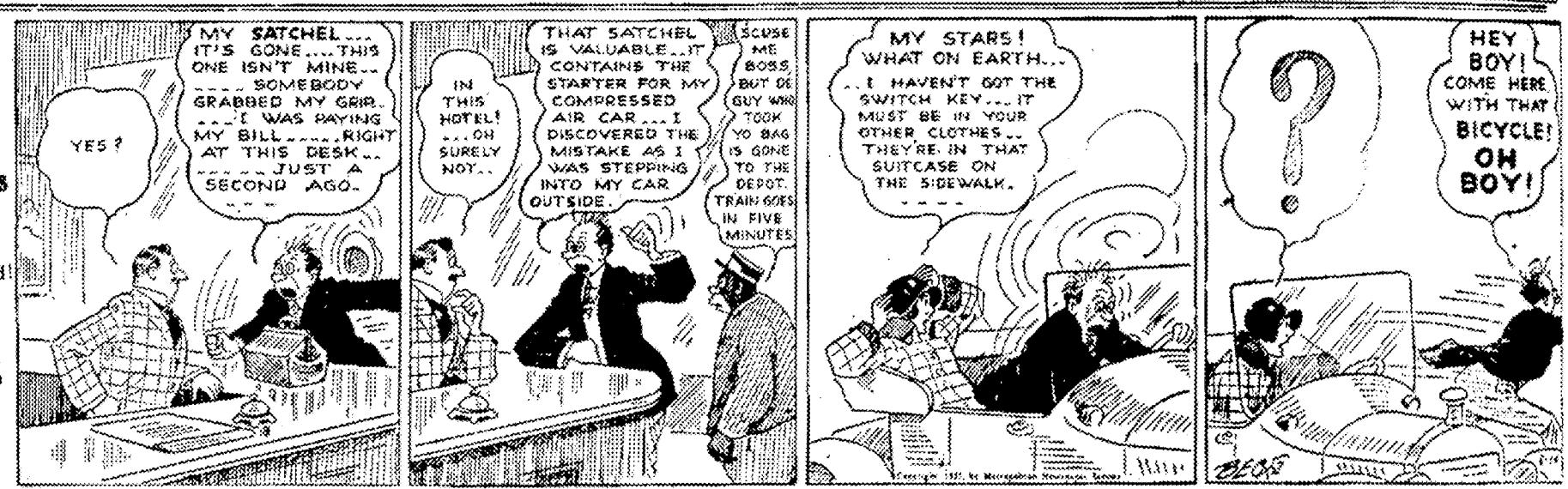
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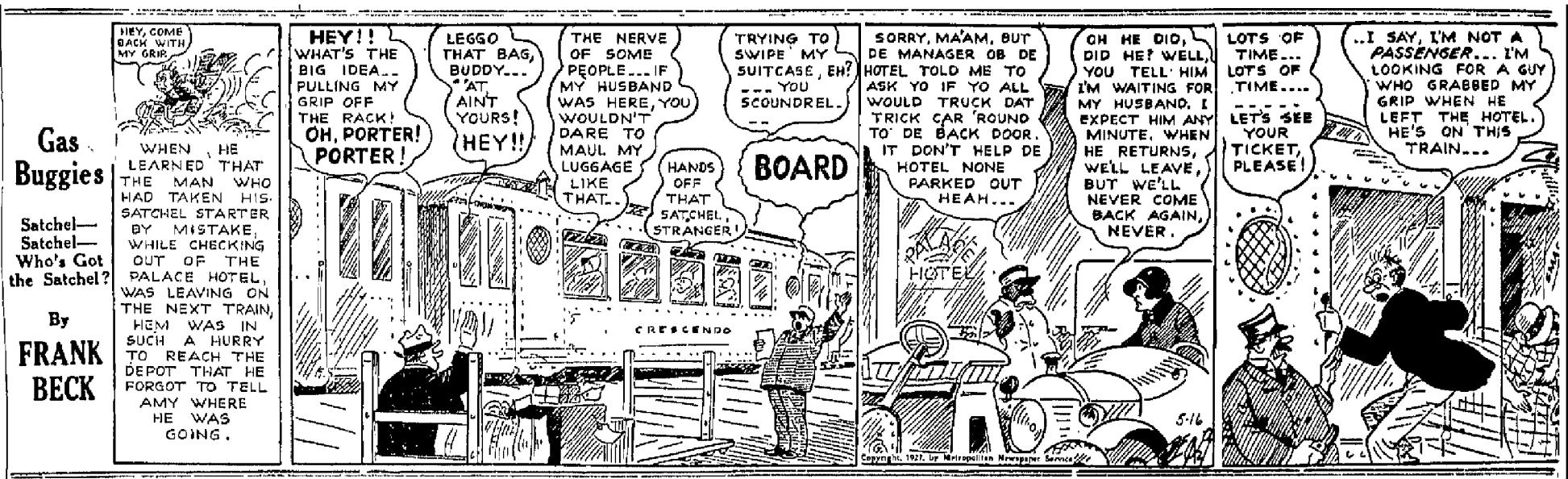
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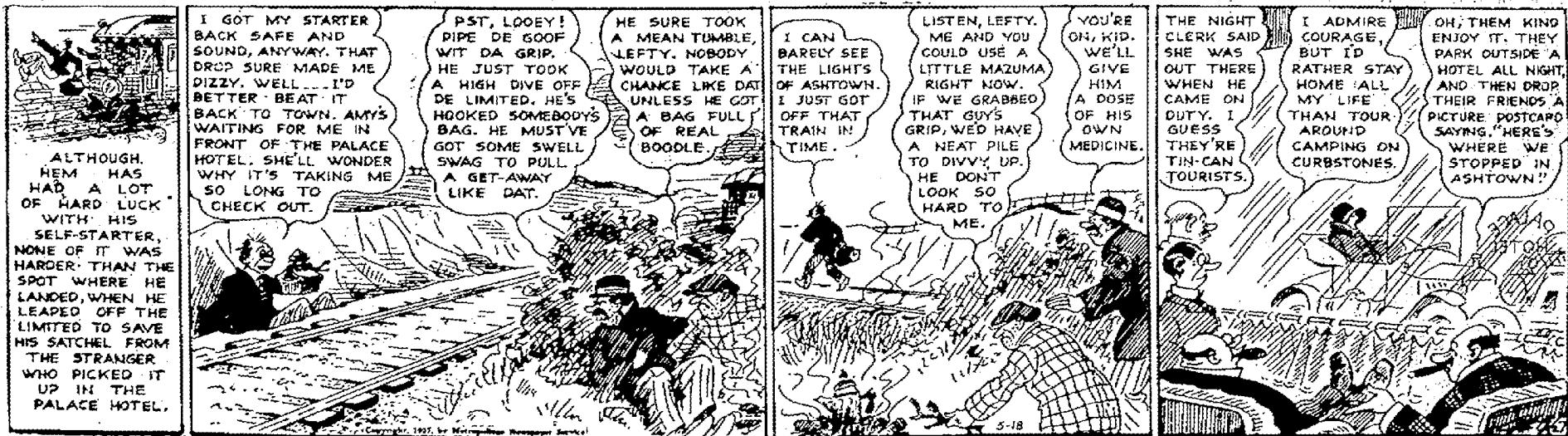
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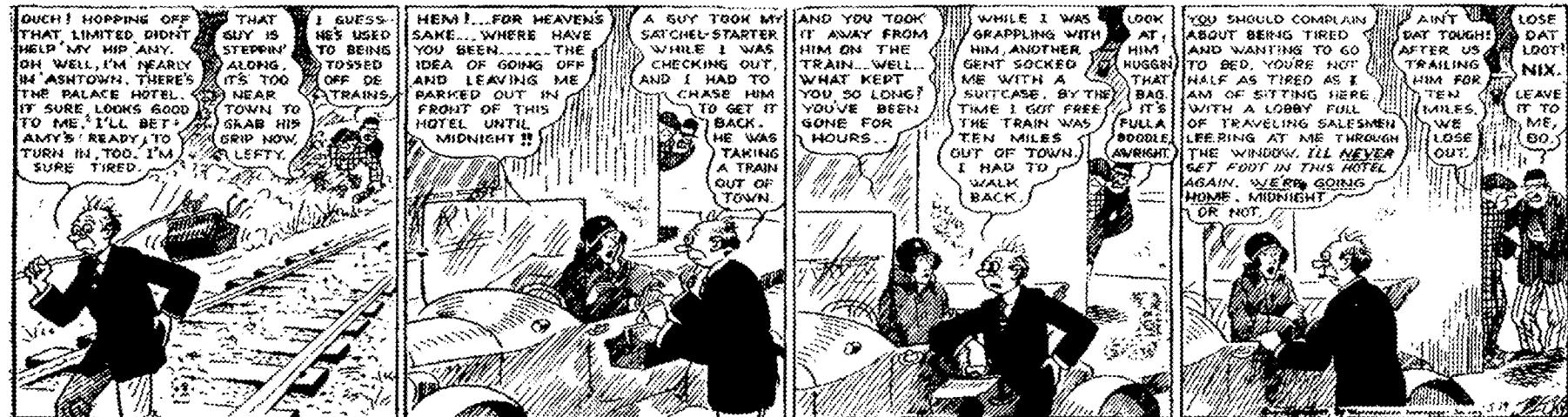


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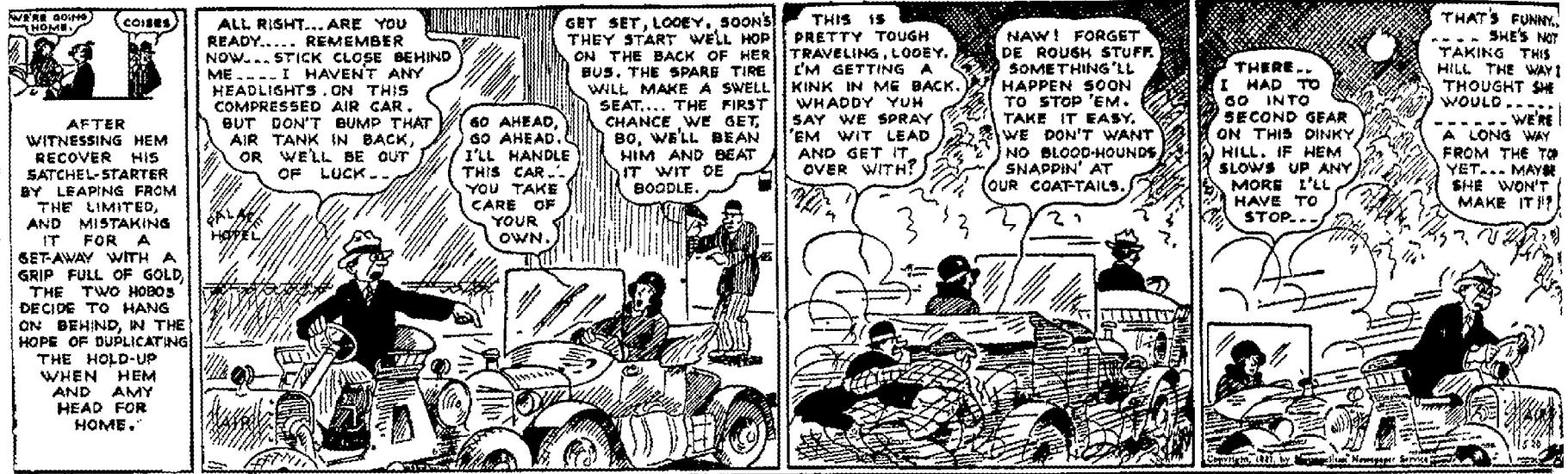
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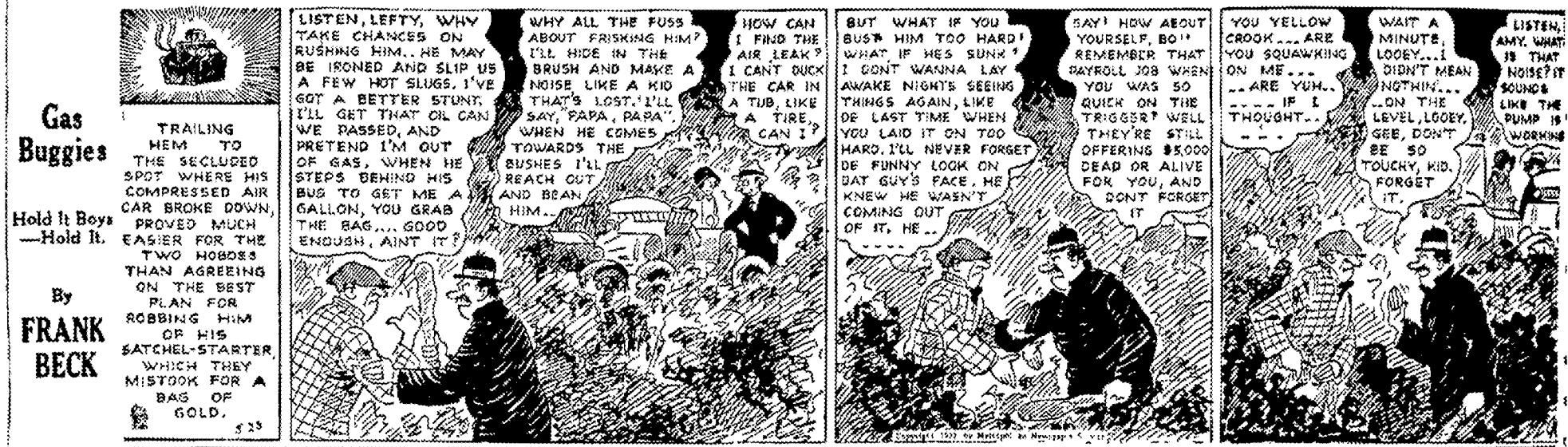
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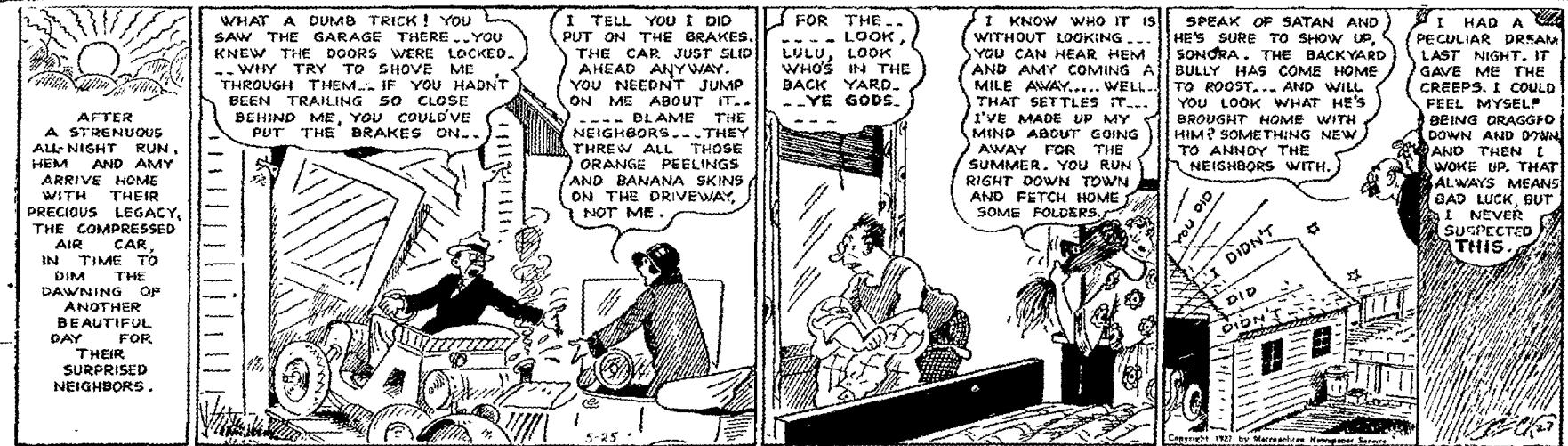
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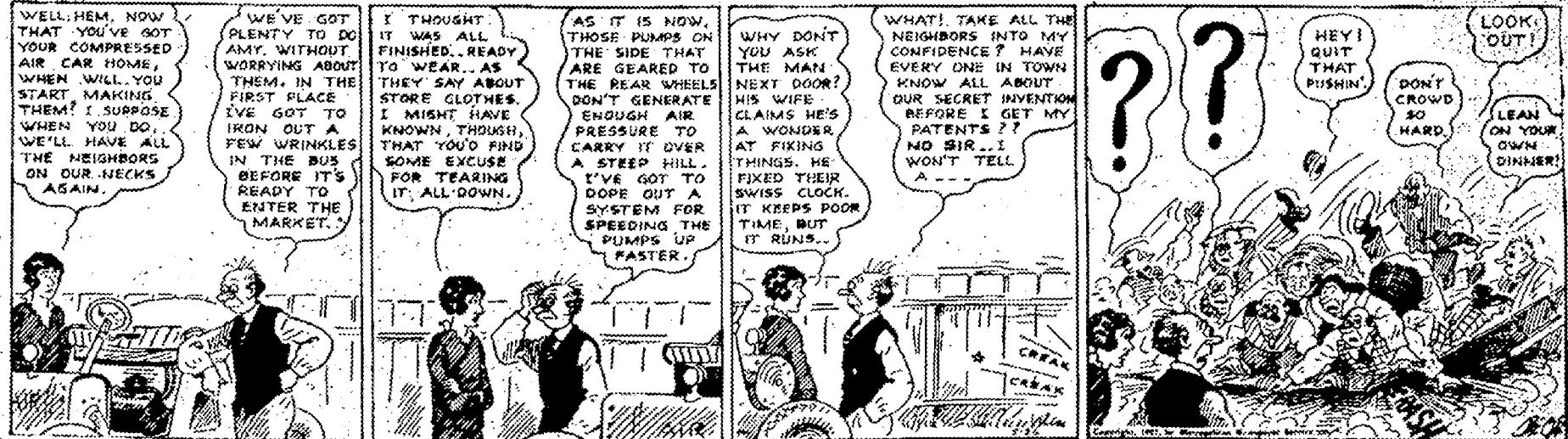
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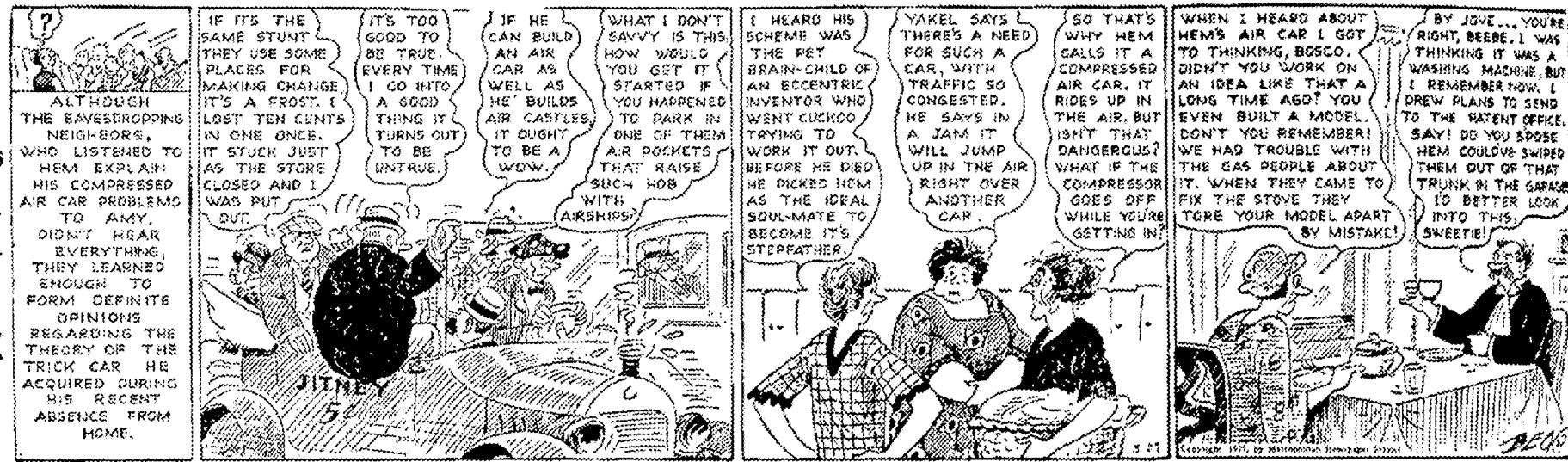
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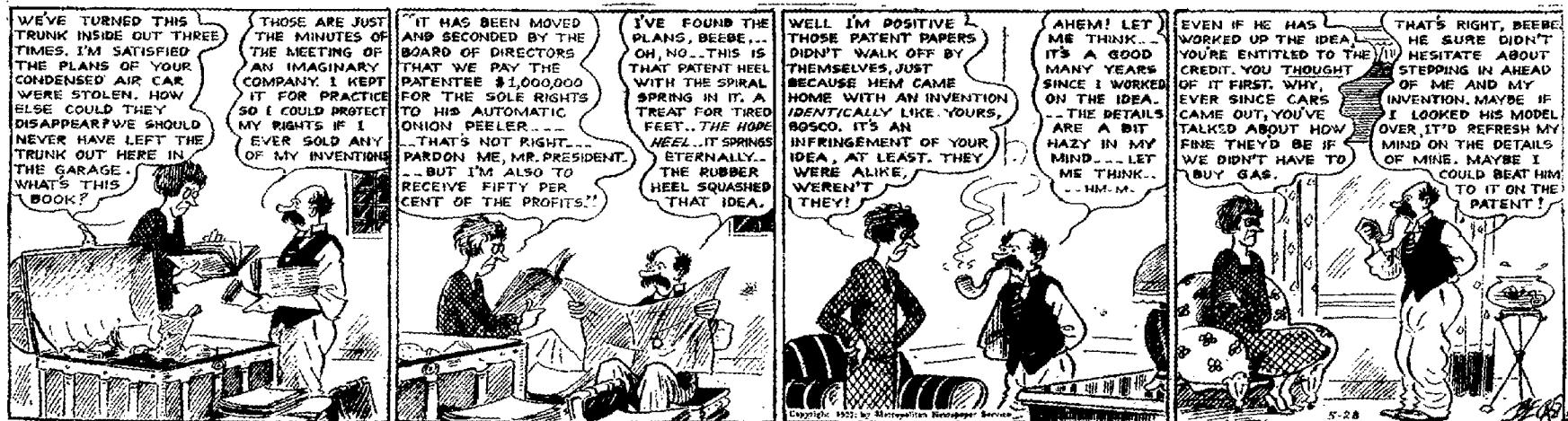
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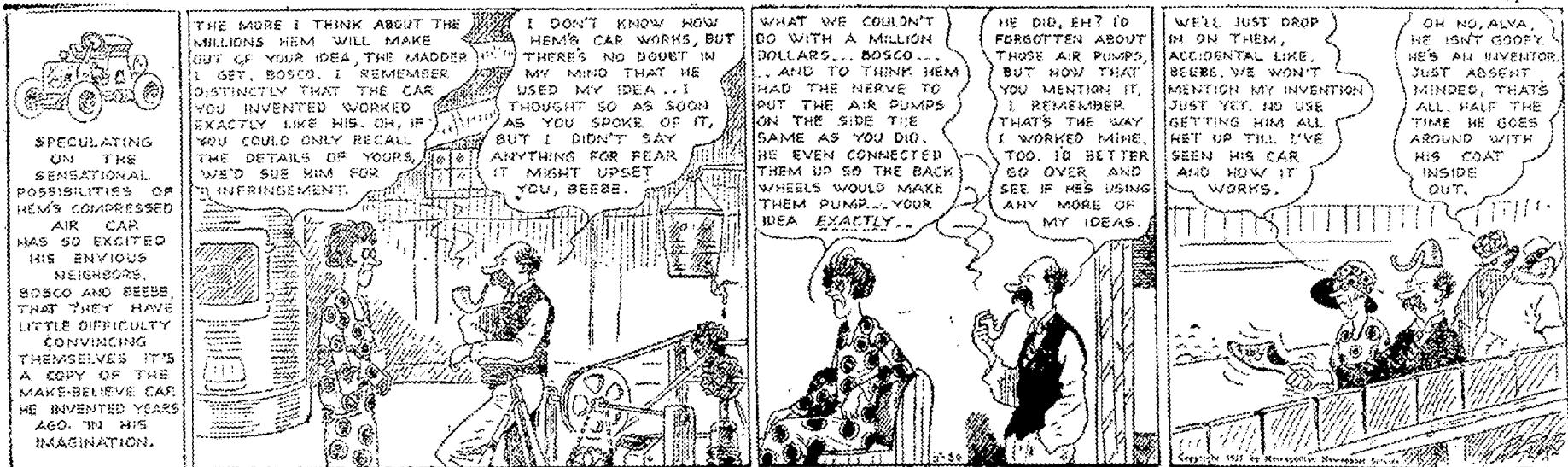
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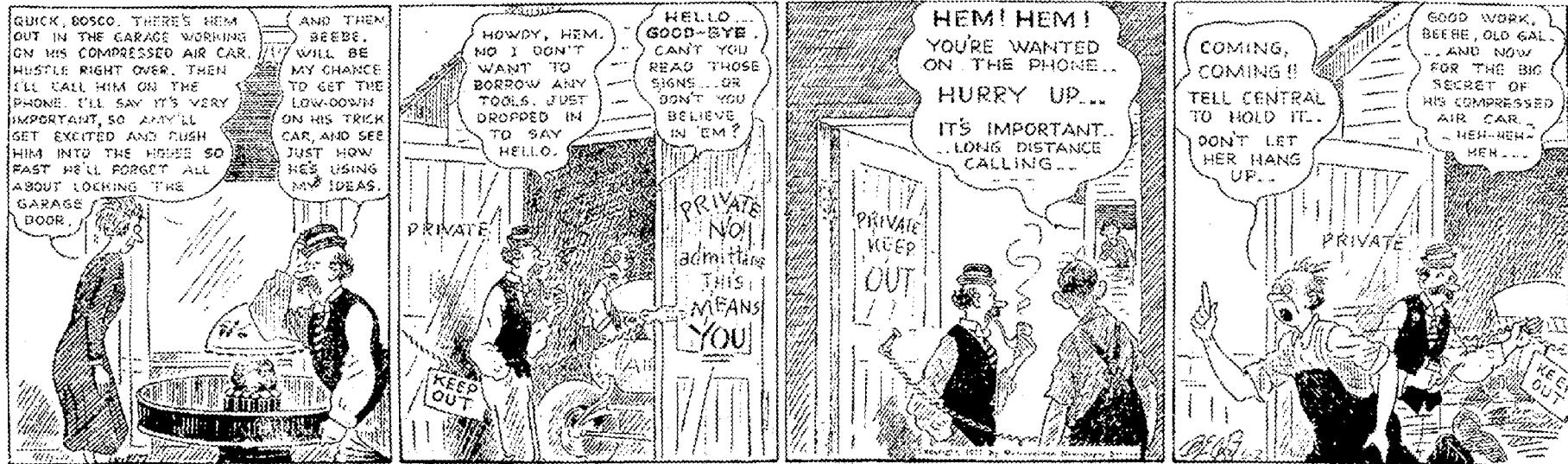


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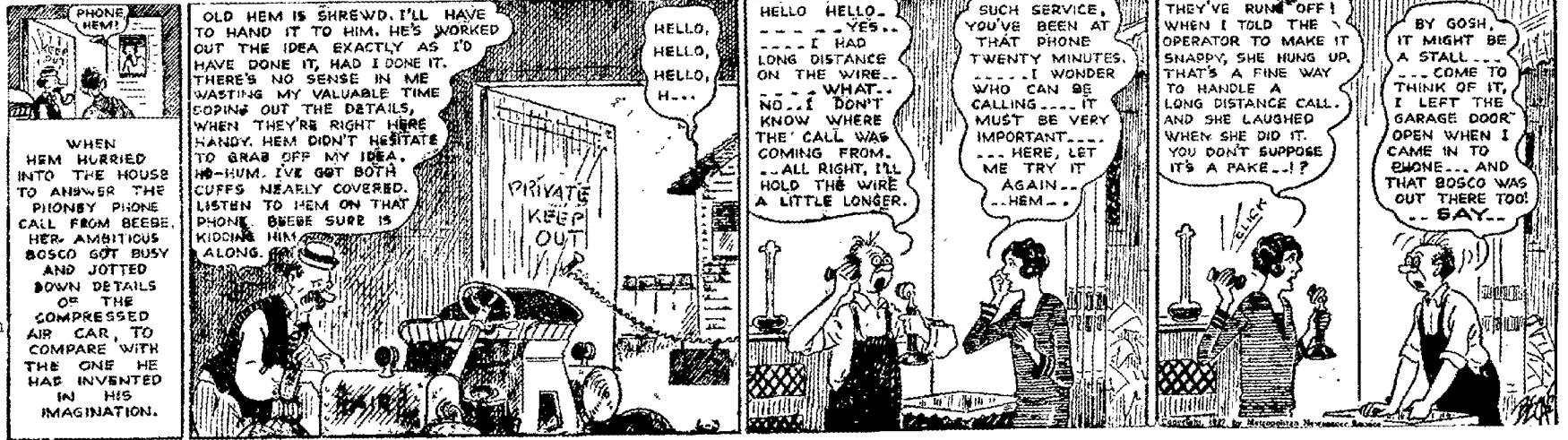
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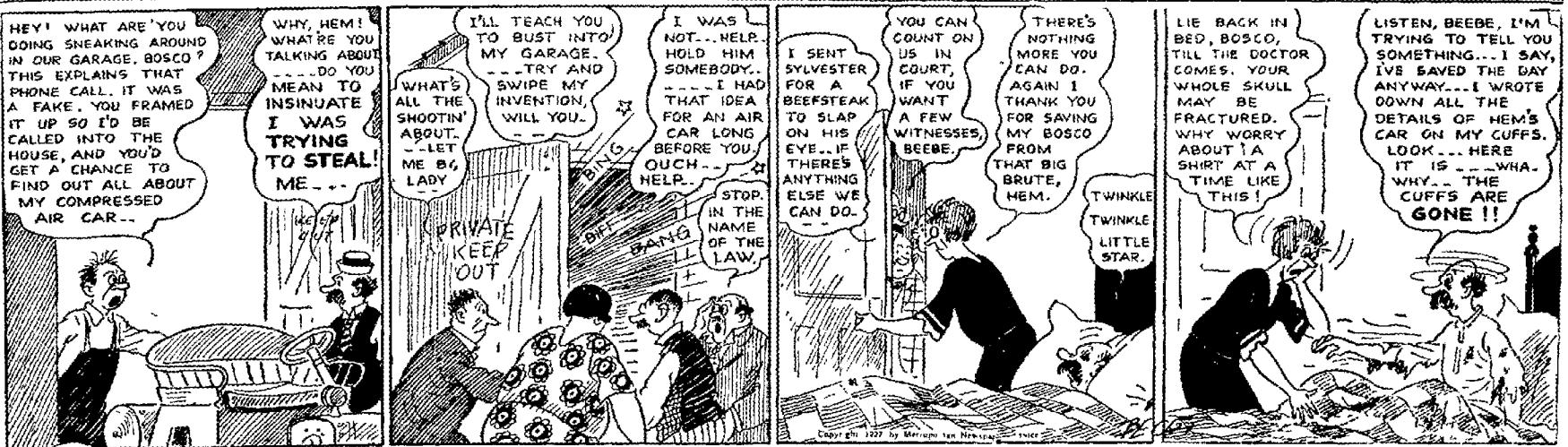
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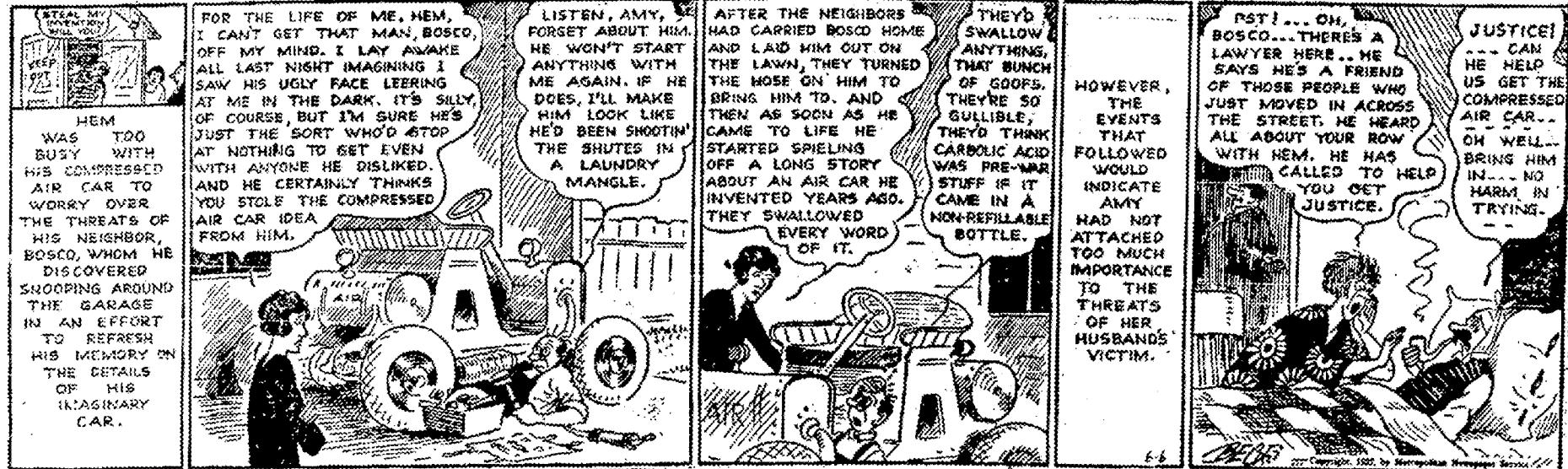
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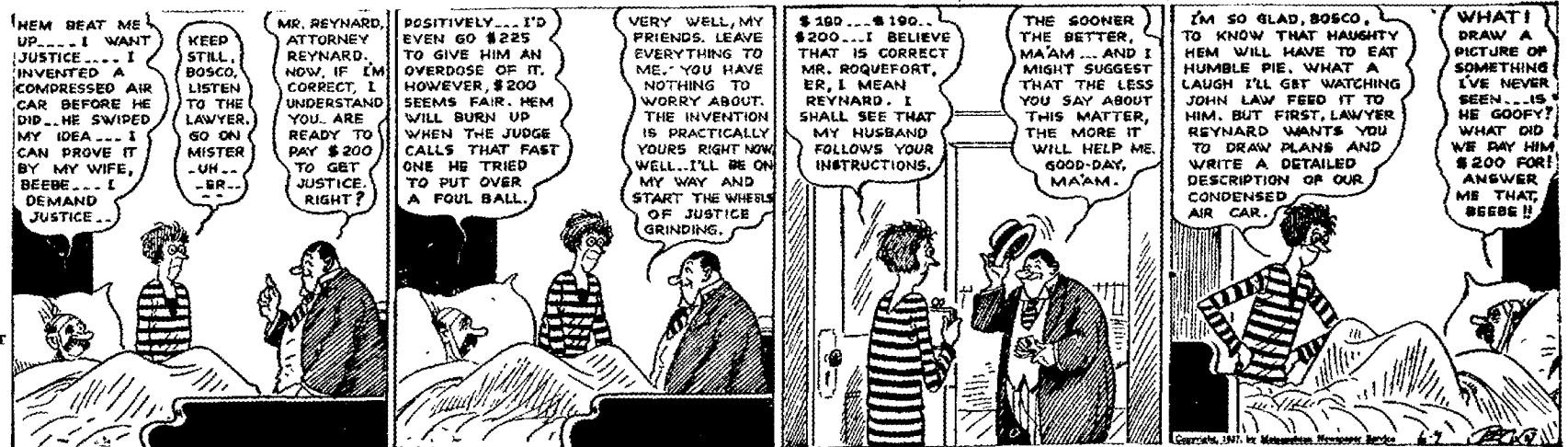
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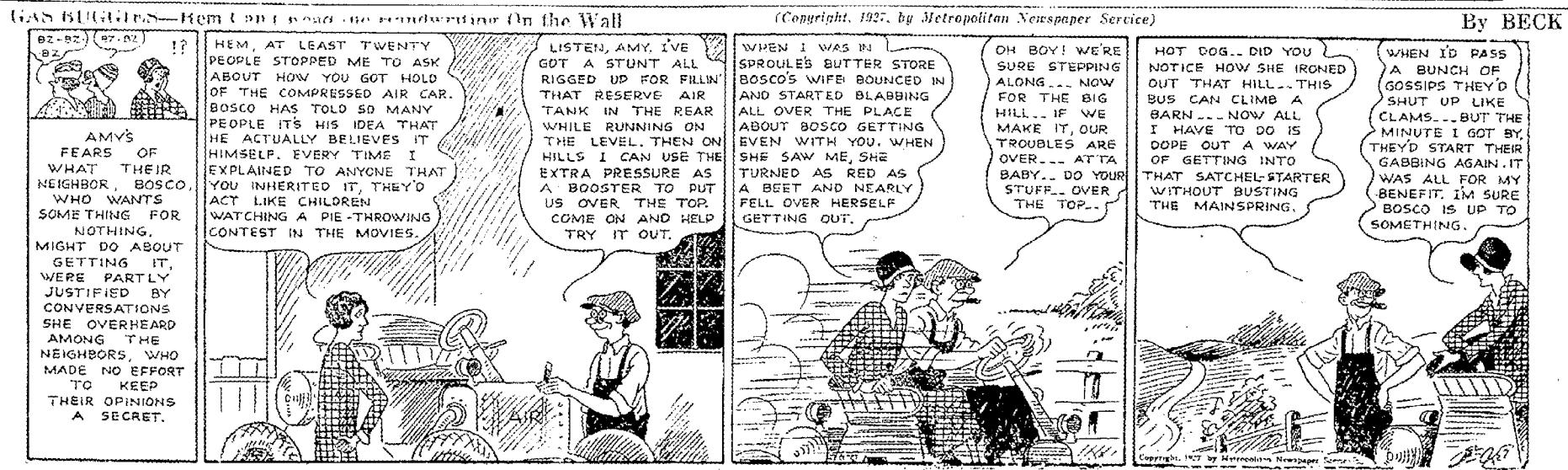
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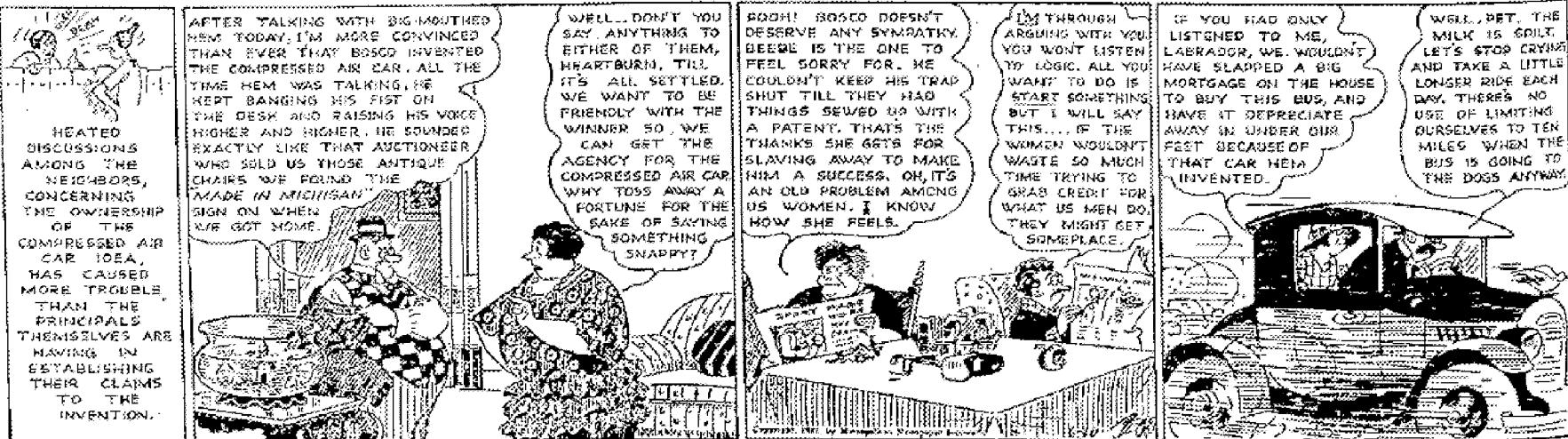
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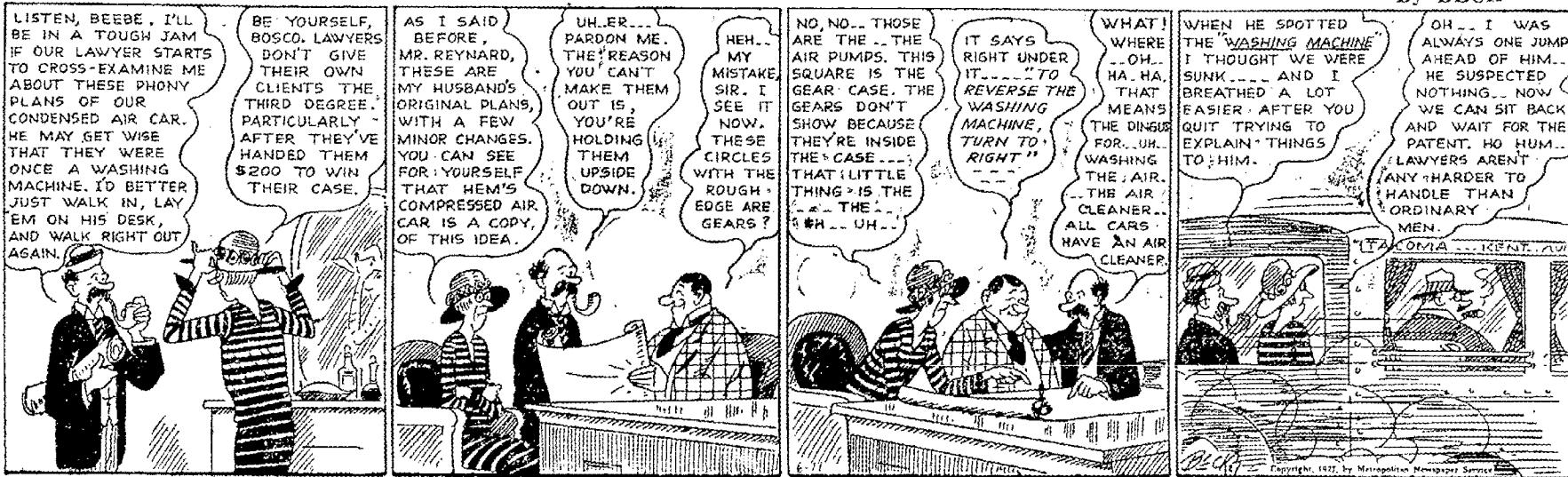
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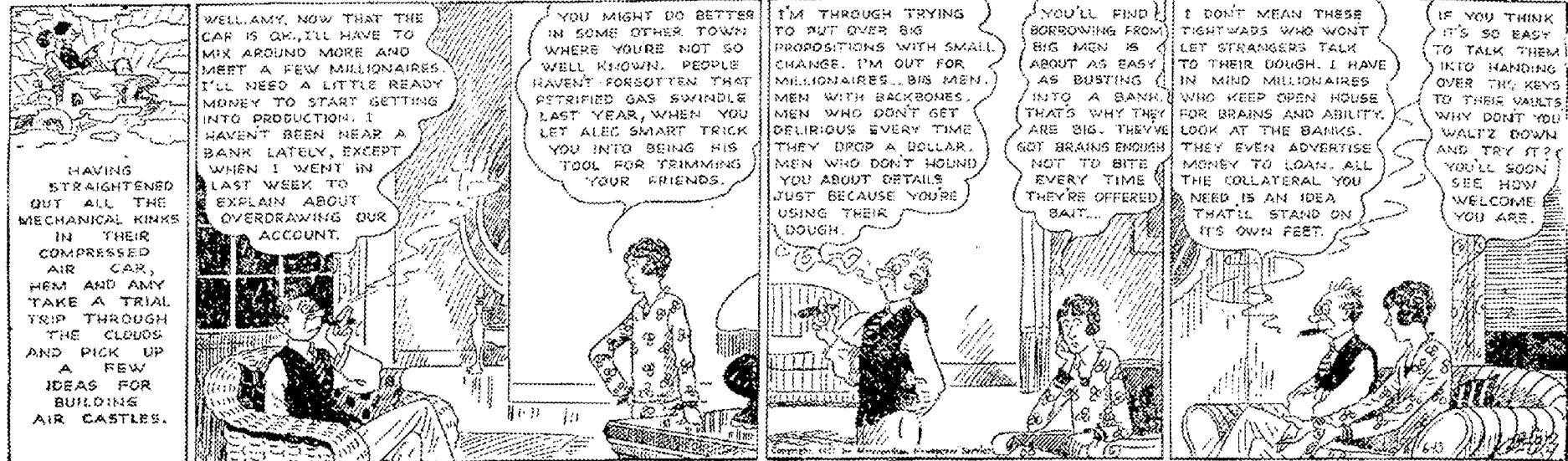
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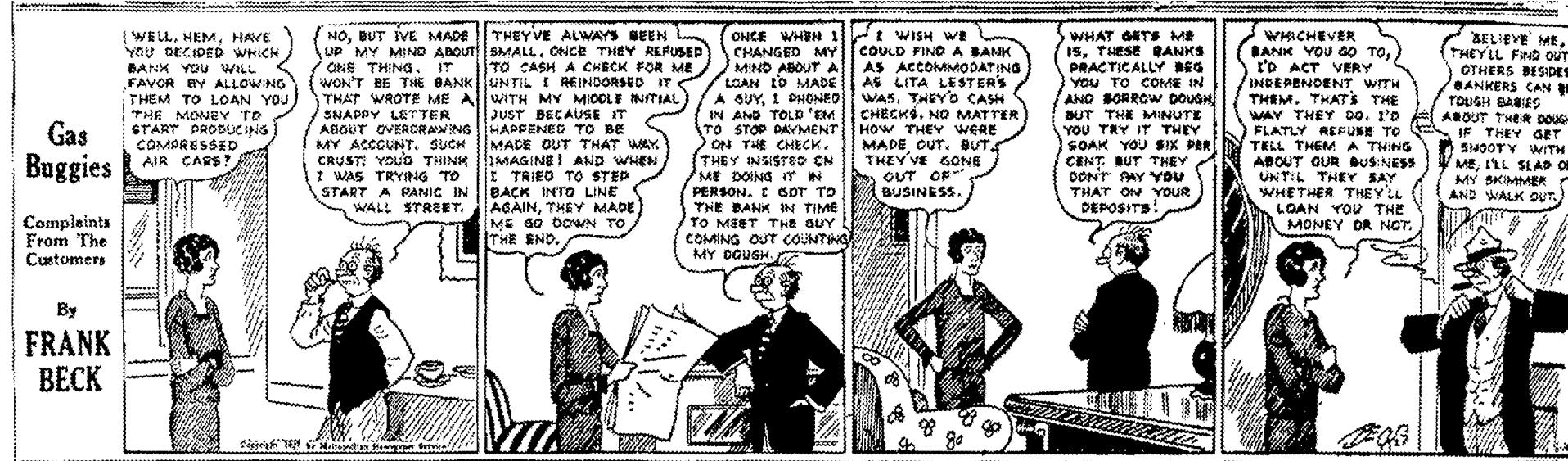
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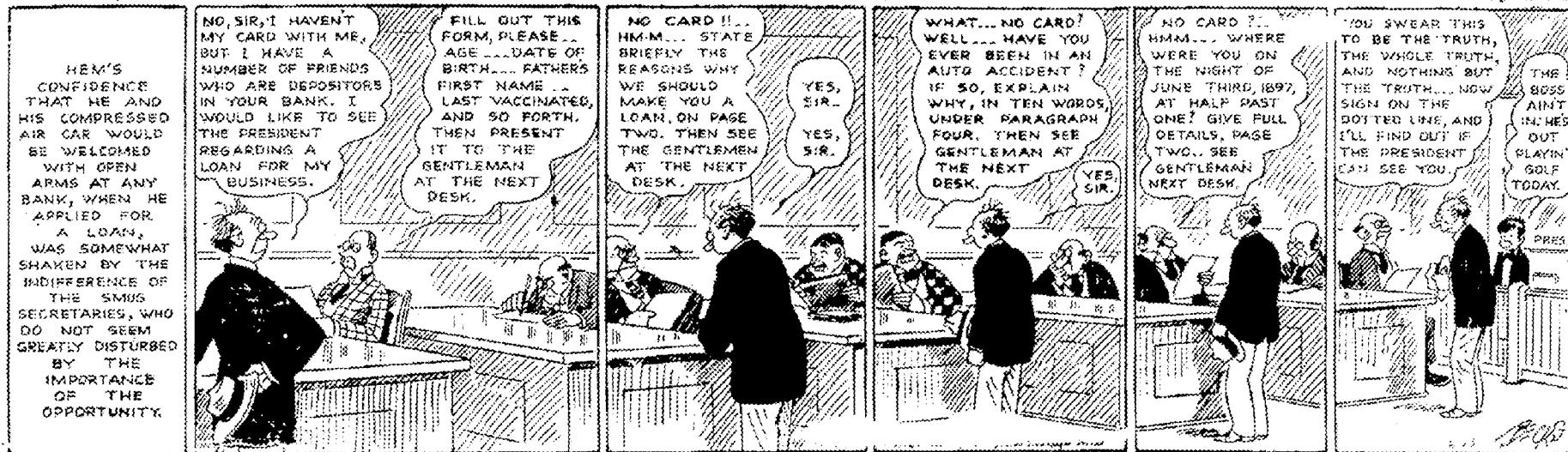
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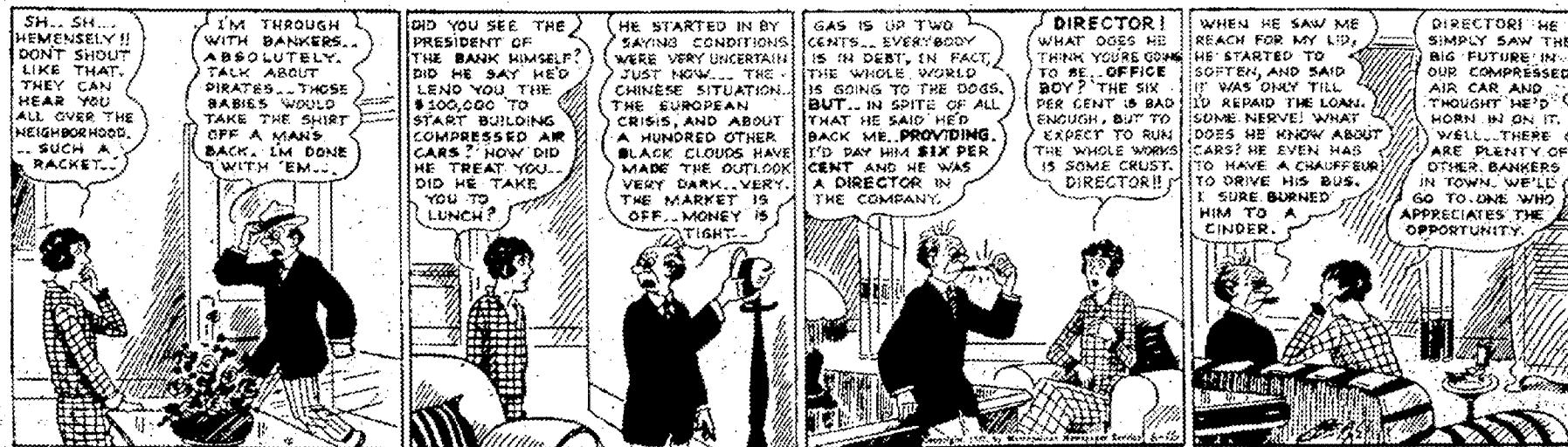
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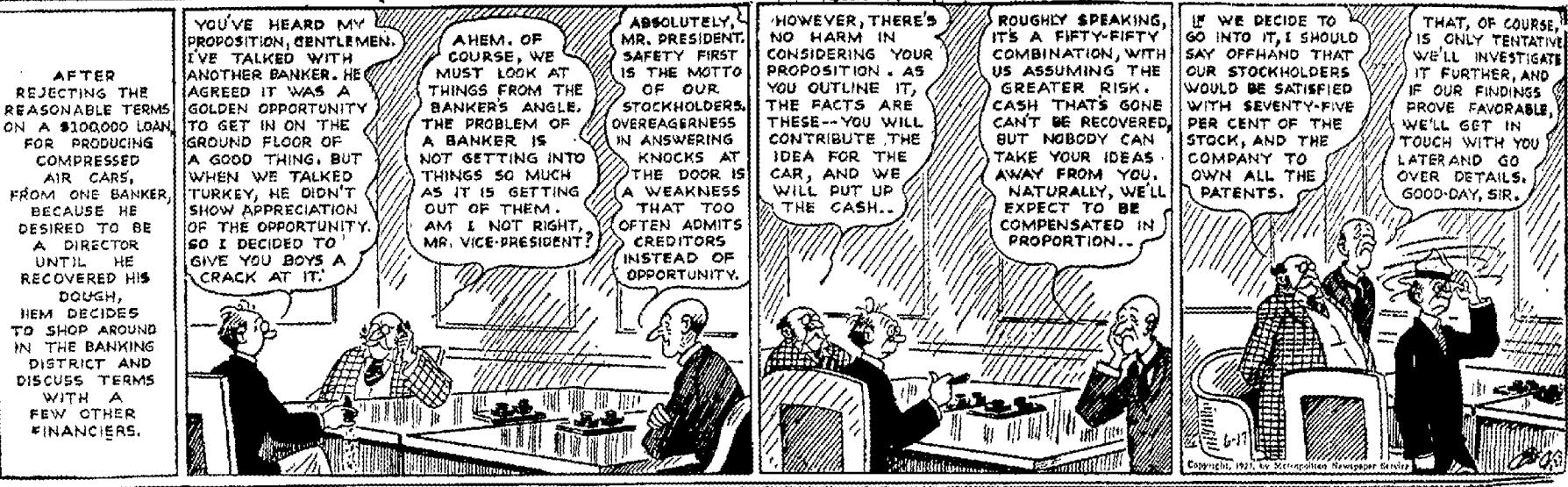
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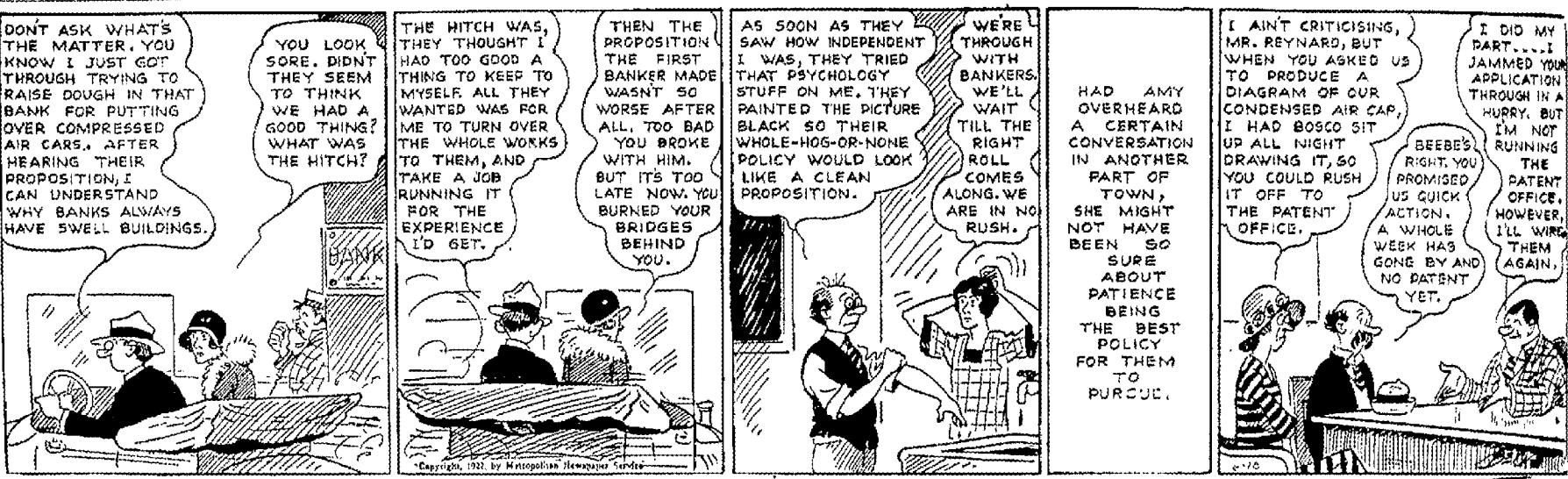


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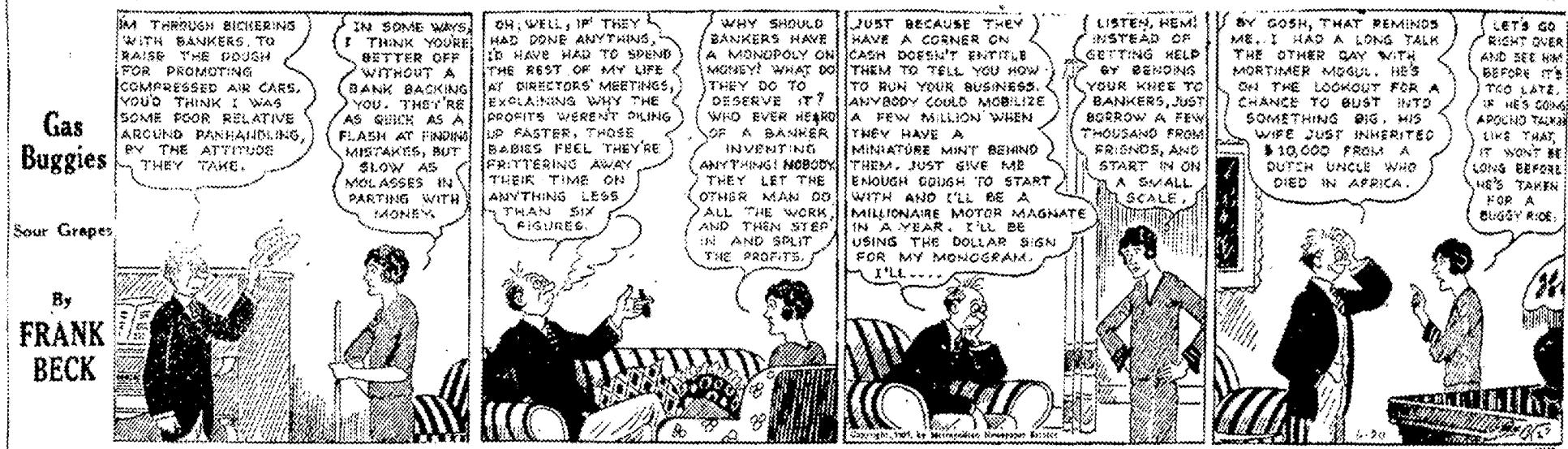
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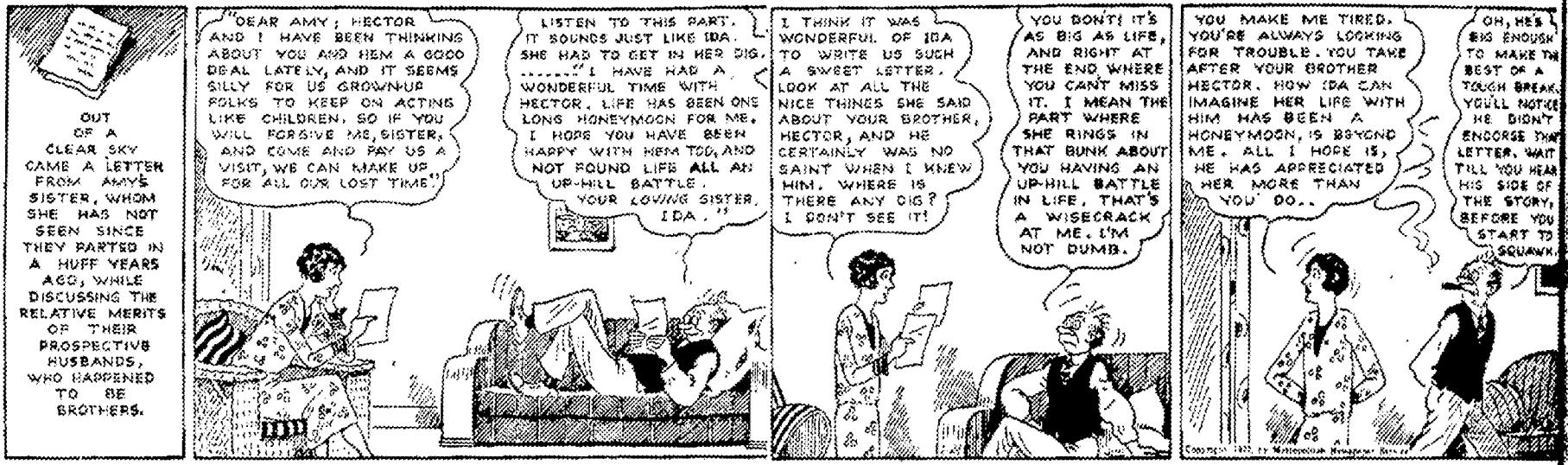
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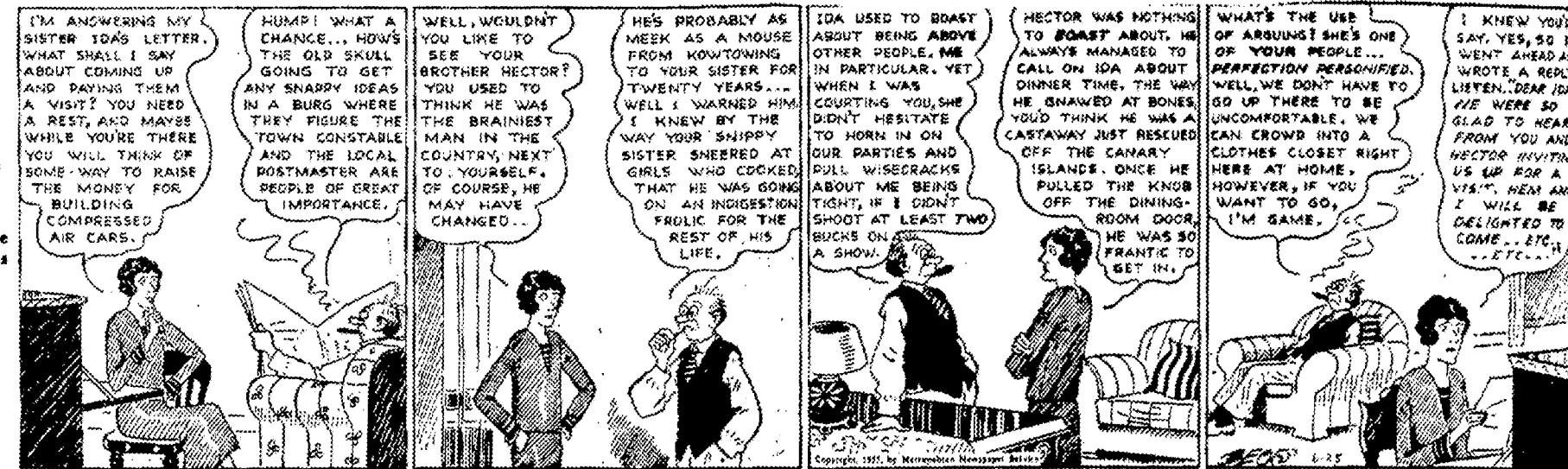


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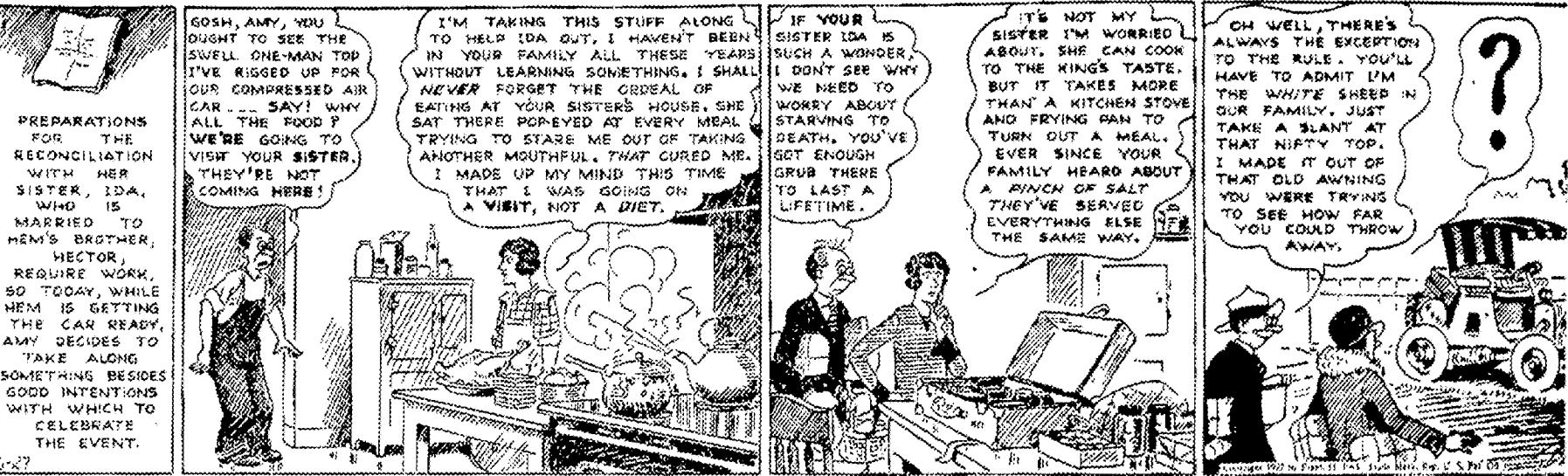
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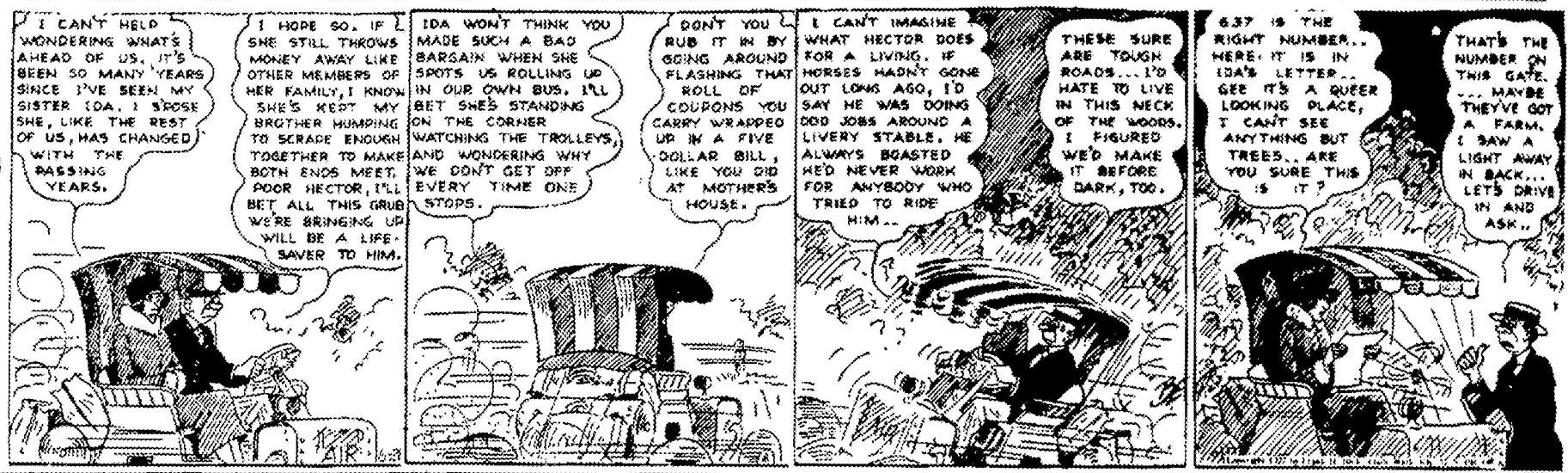


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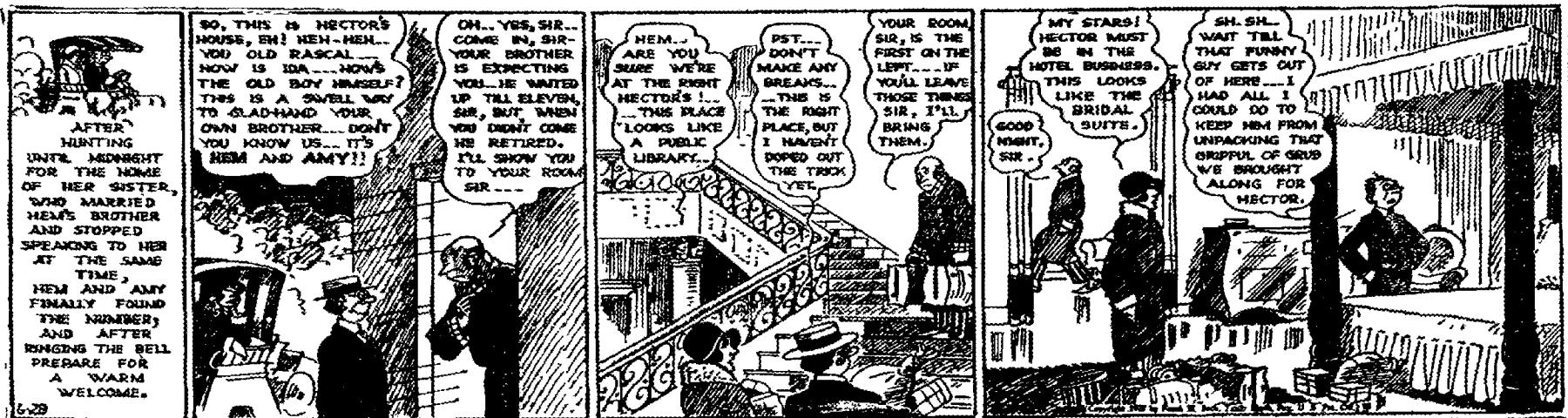
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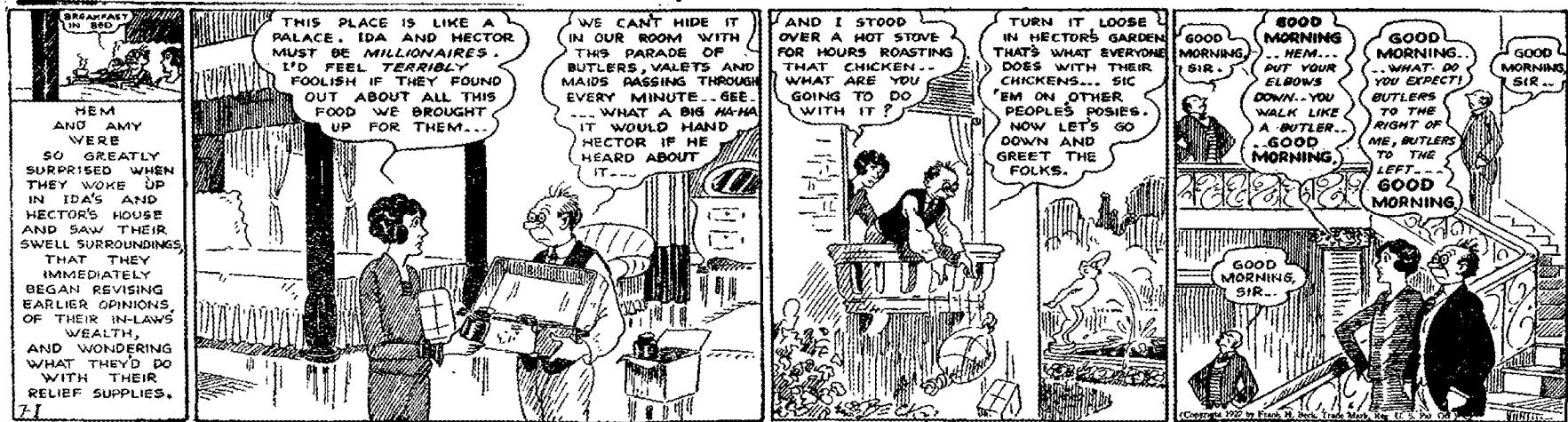


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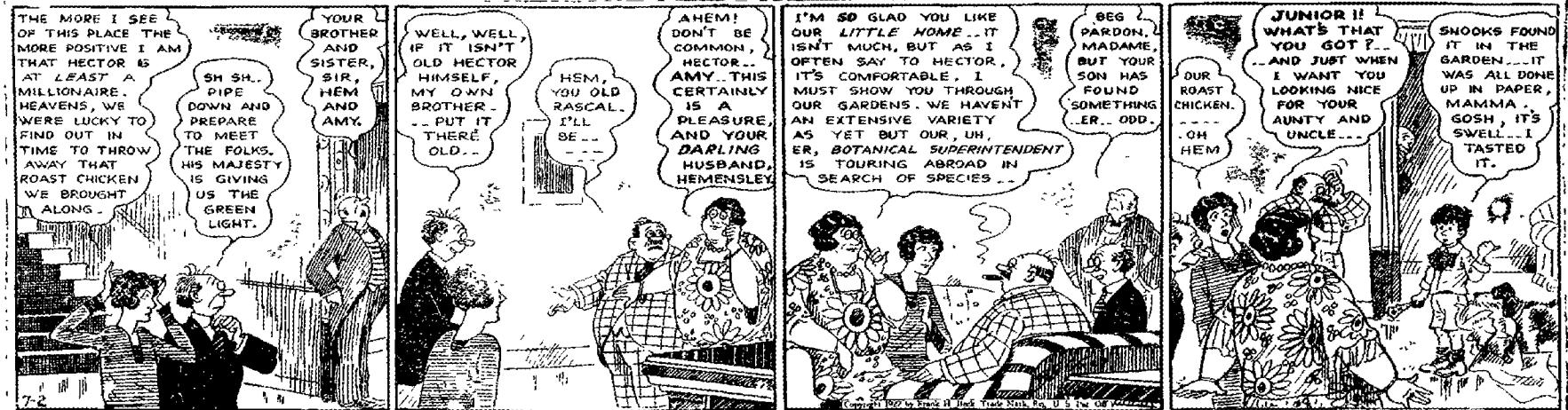
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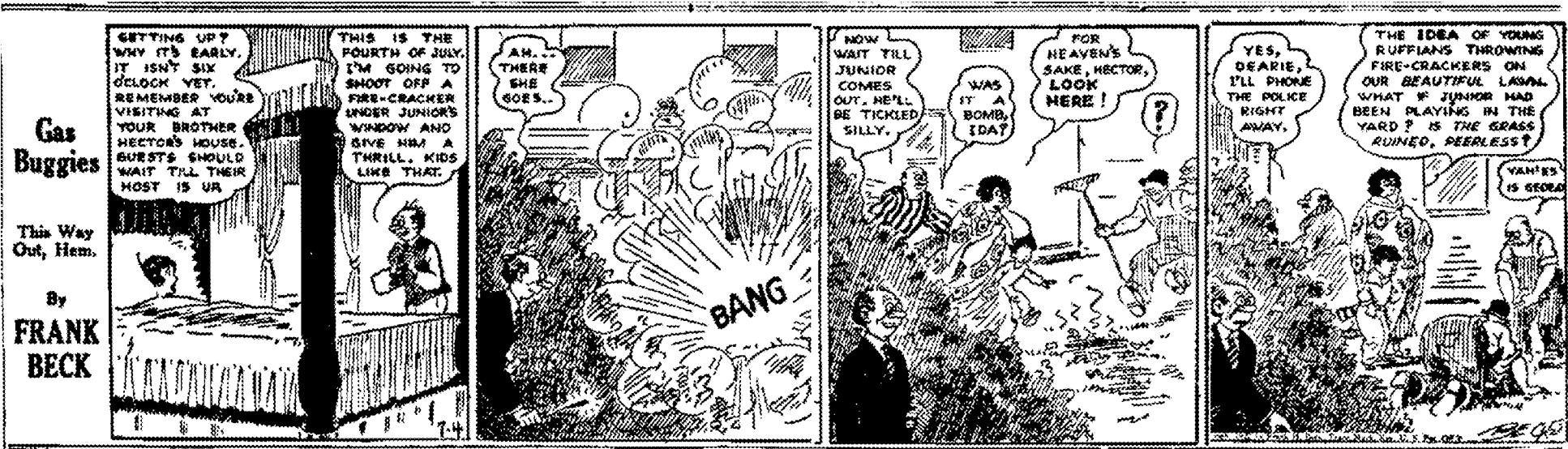
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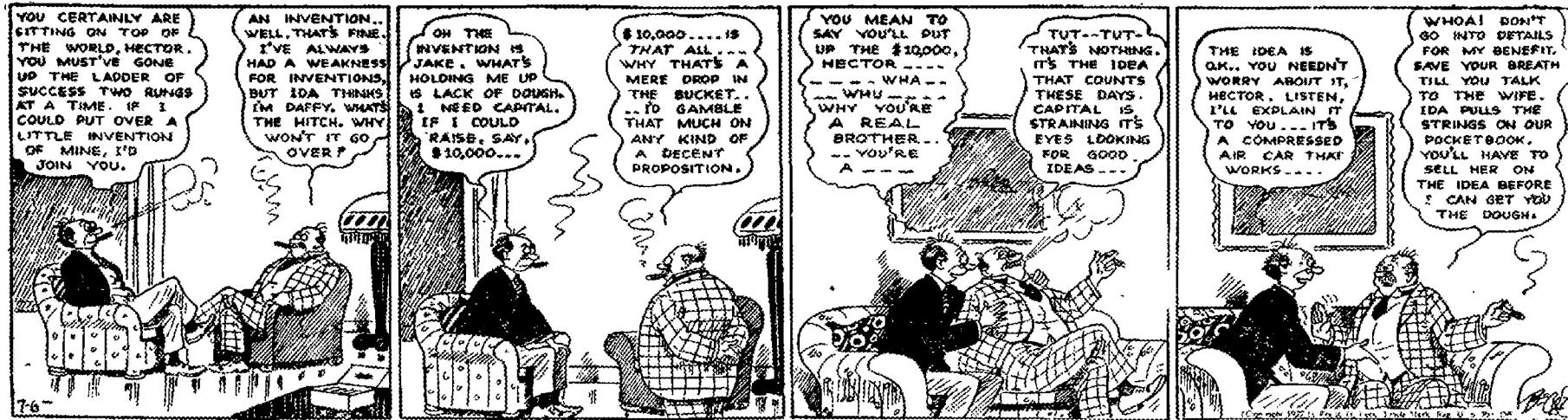


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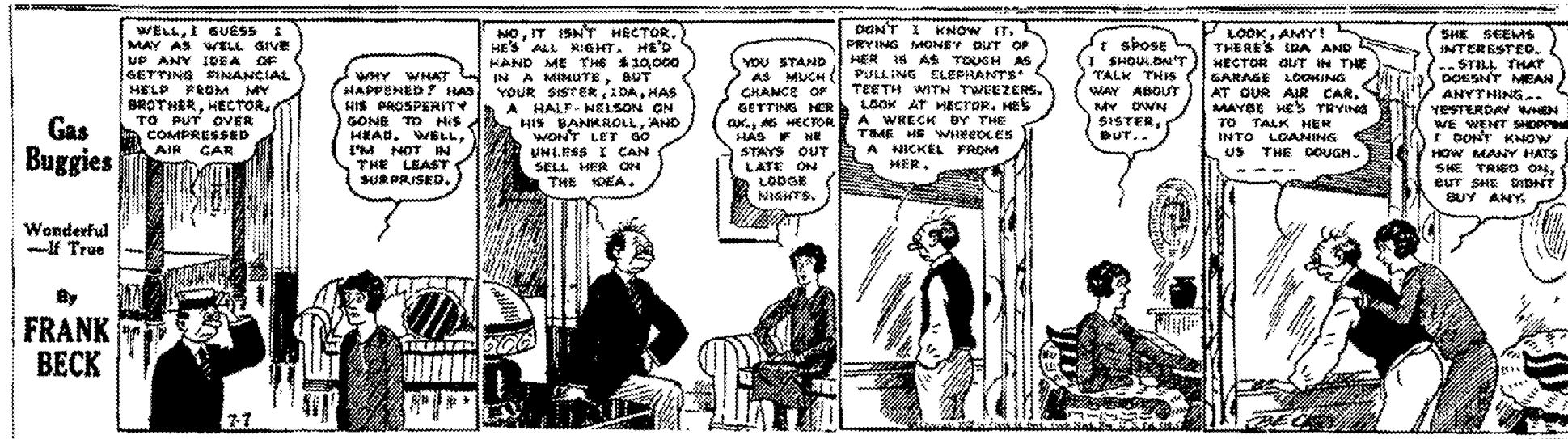
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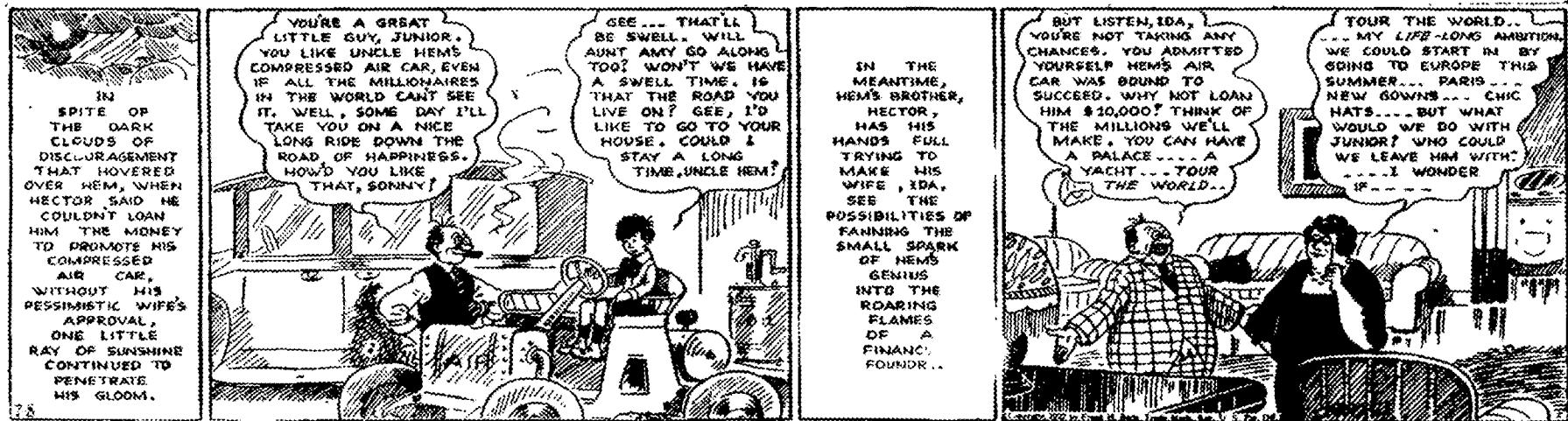
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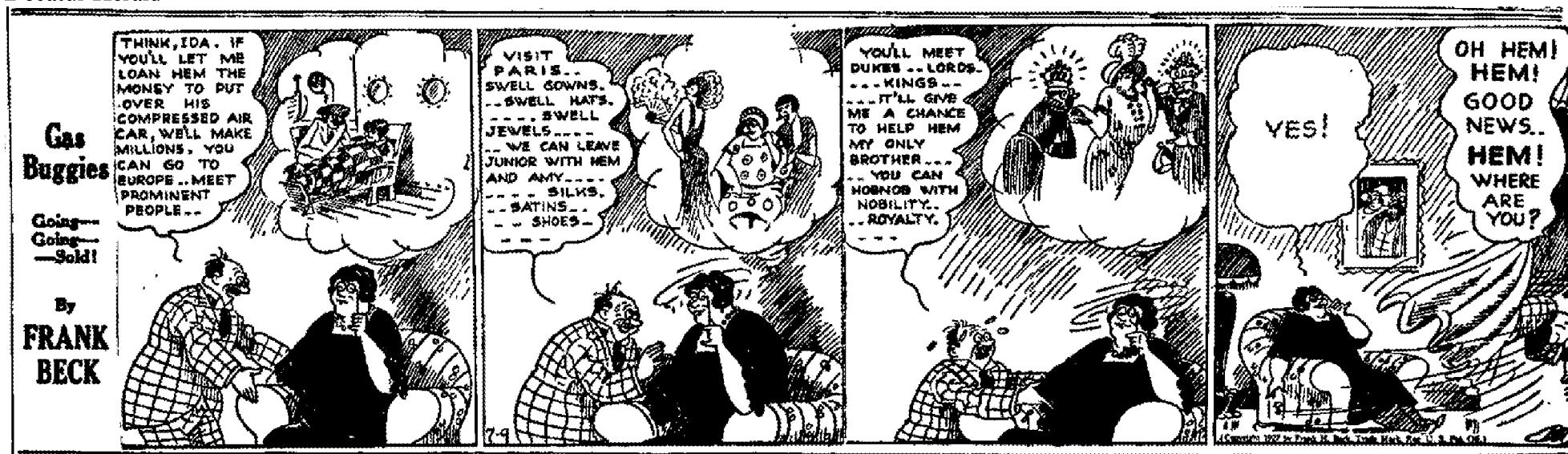
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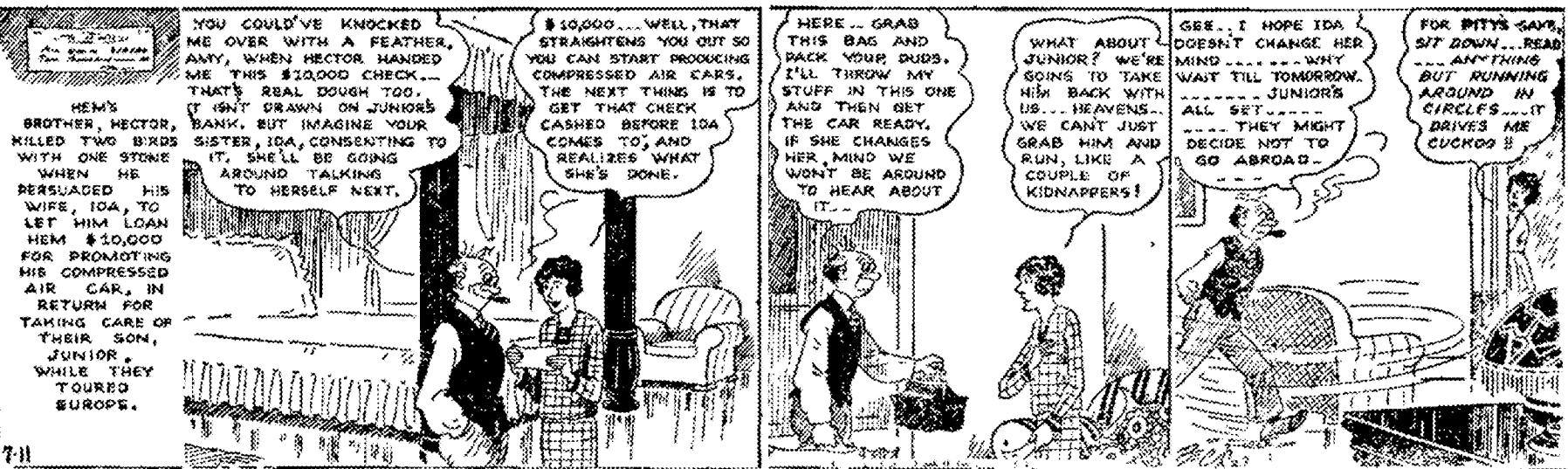
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Why Put Off
Till To-
morrow--?

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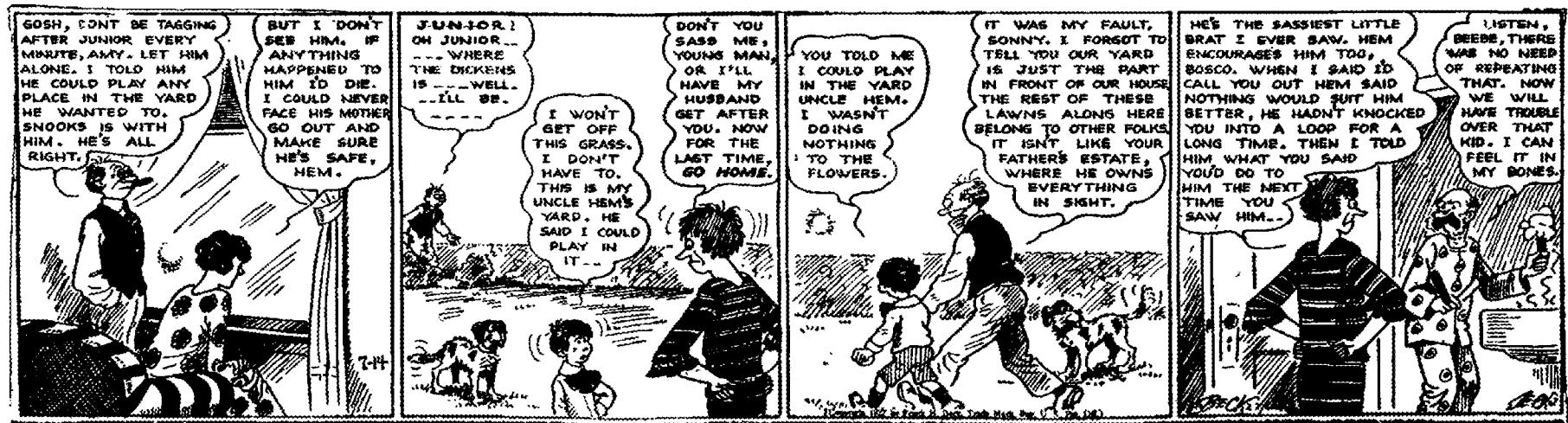
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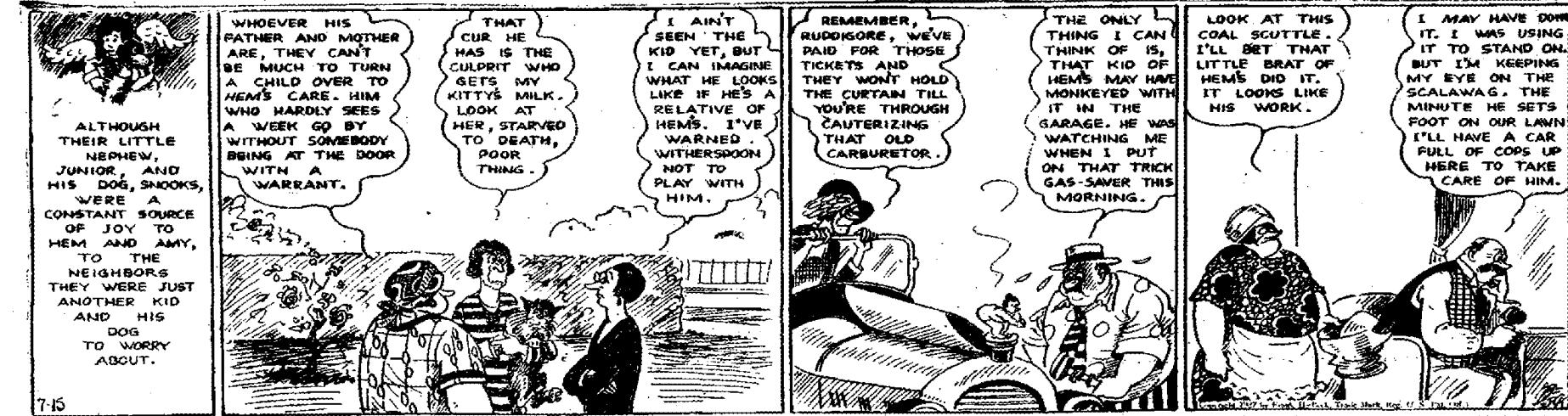


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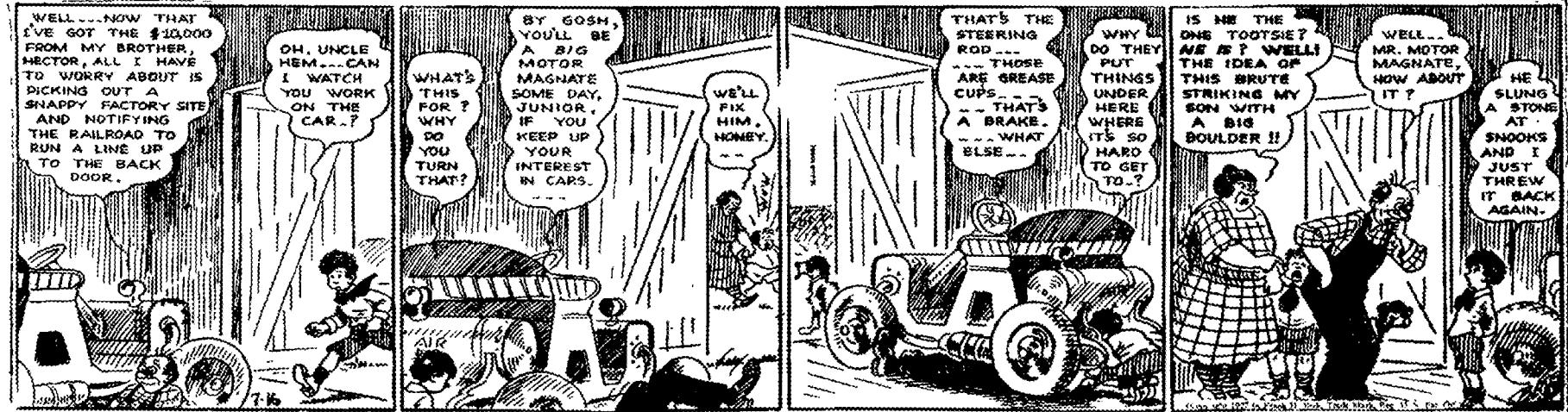
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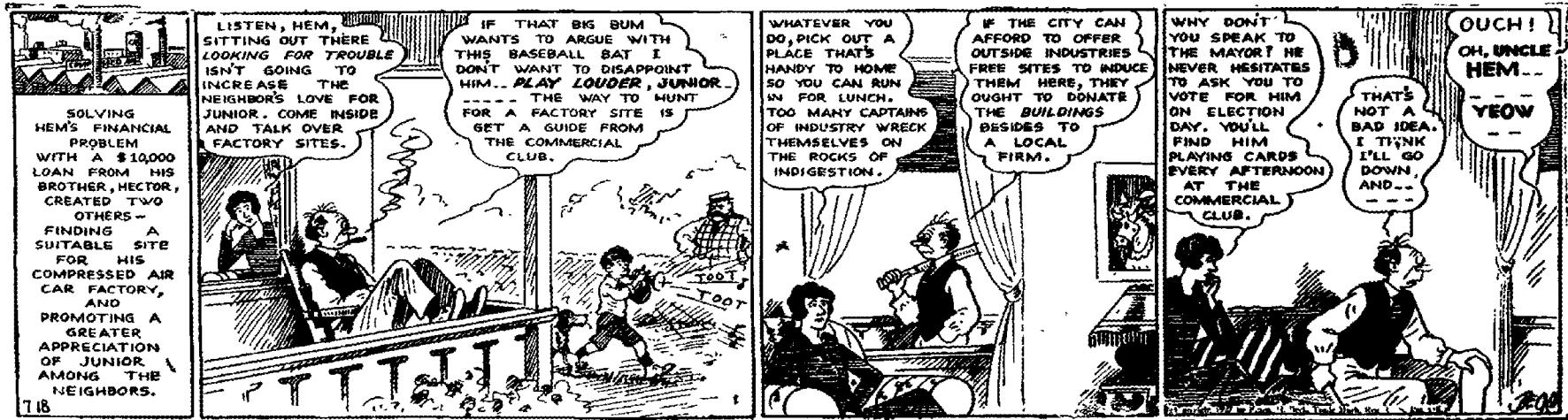
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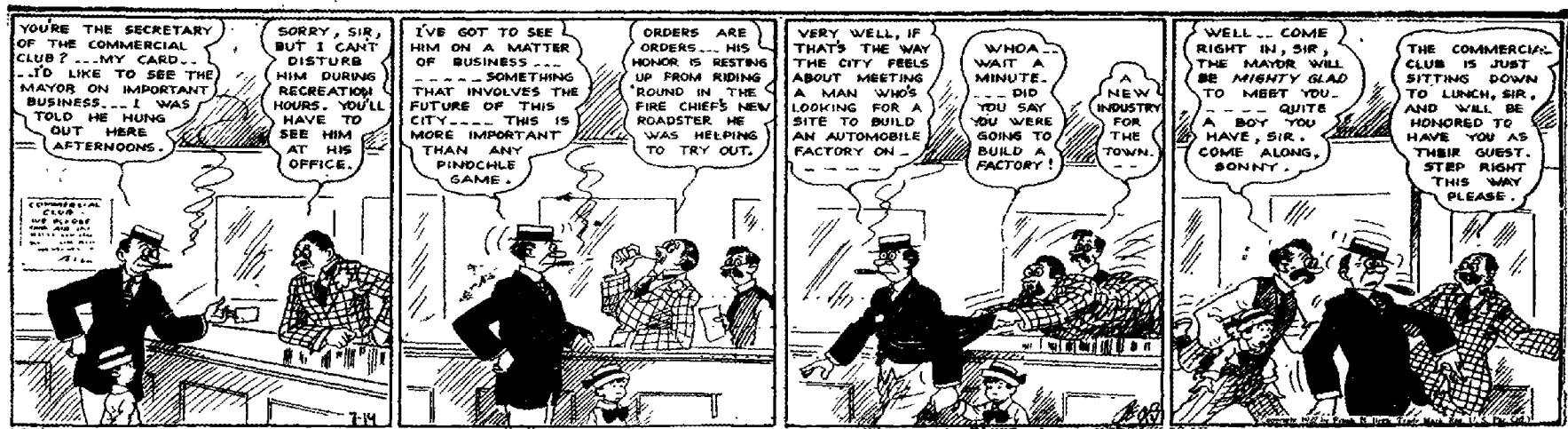
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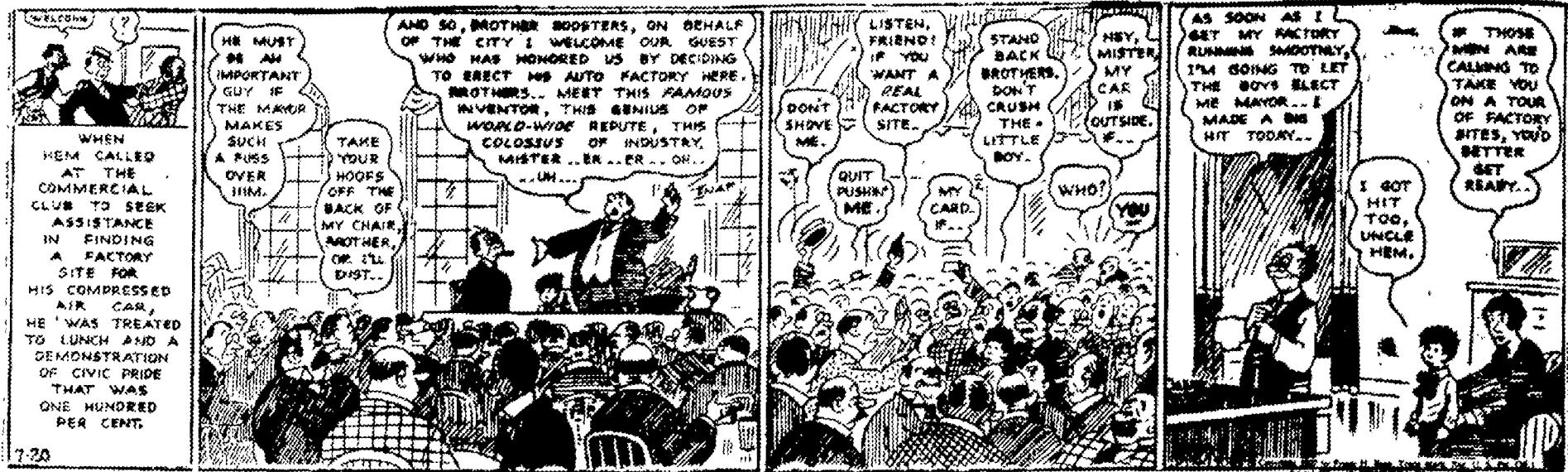
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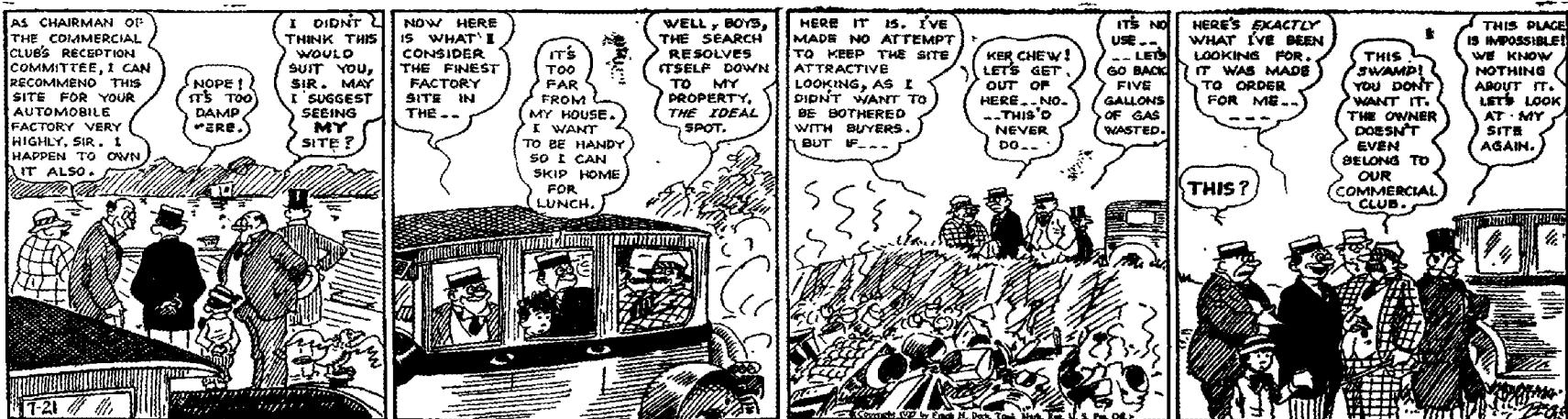


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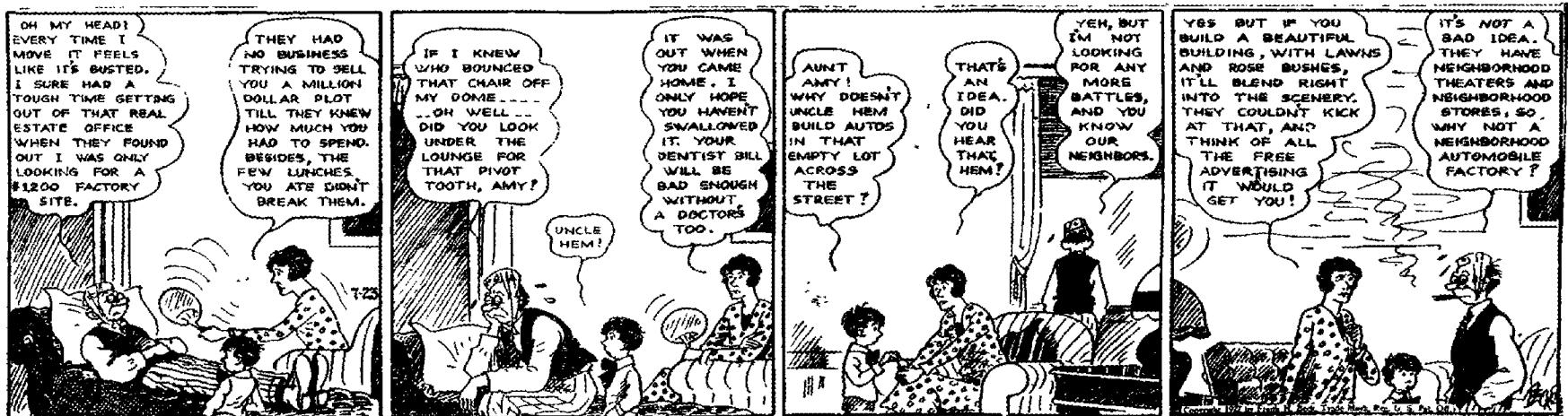
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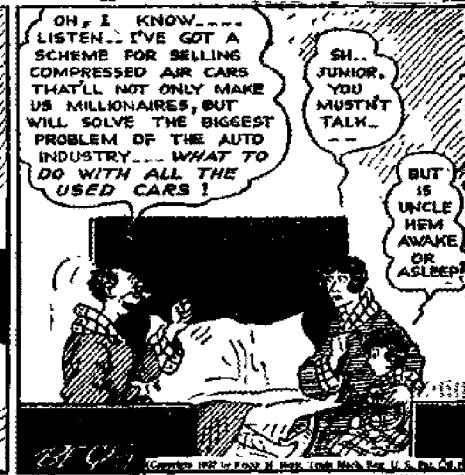
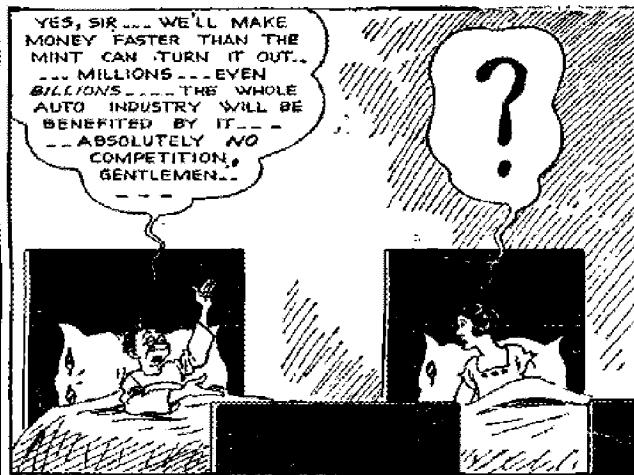
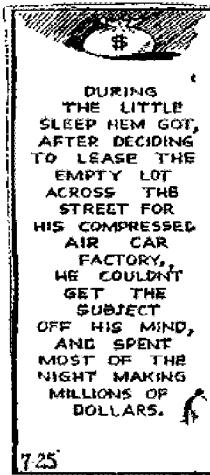
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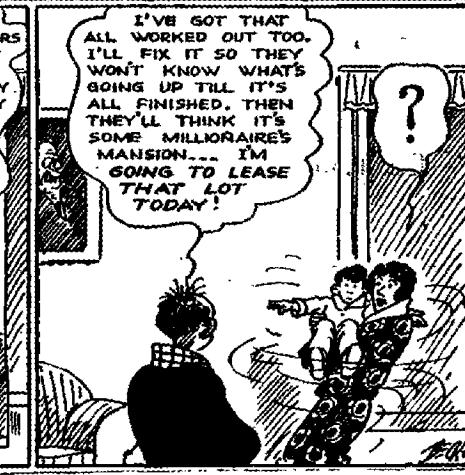


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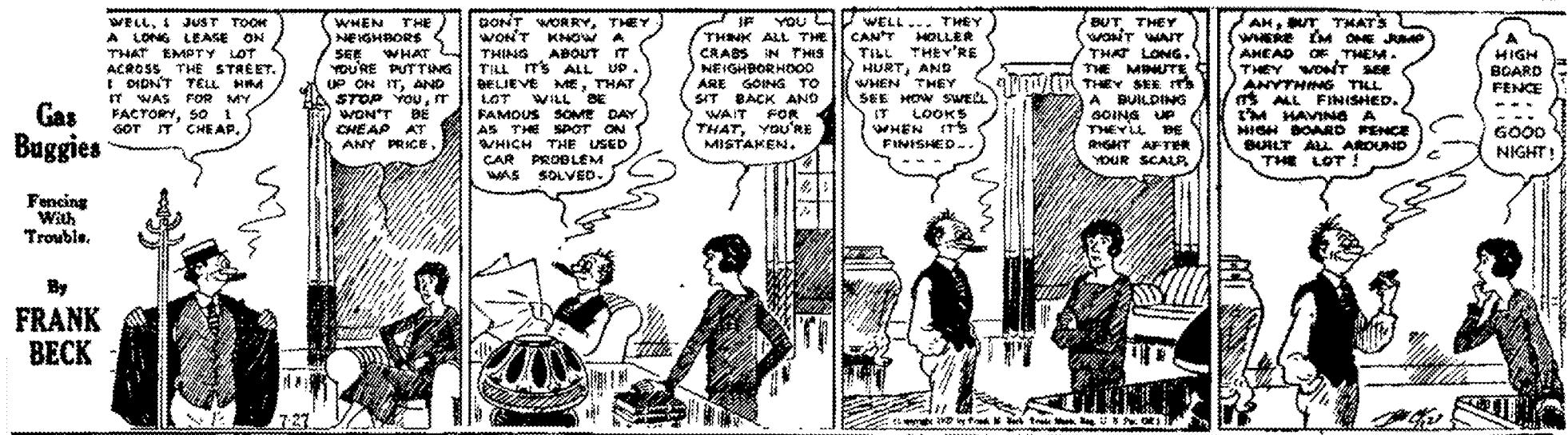
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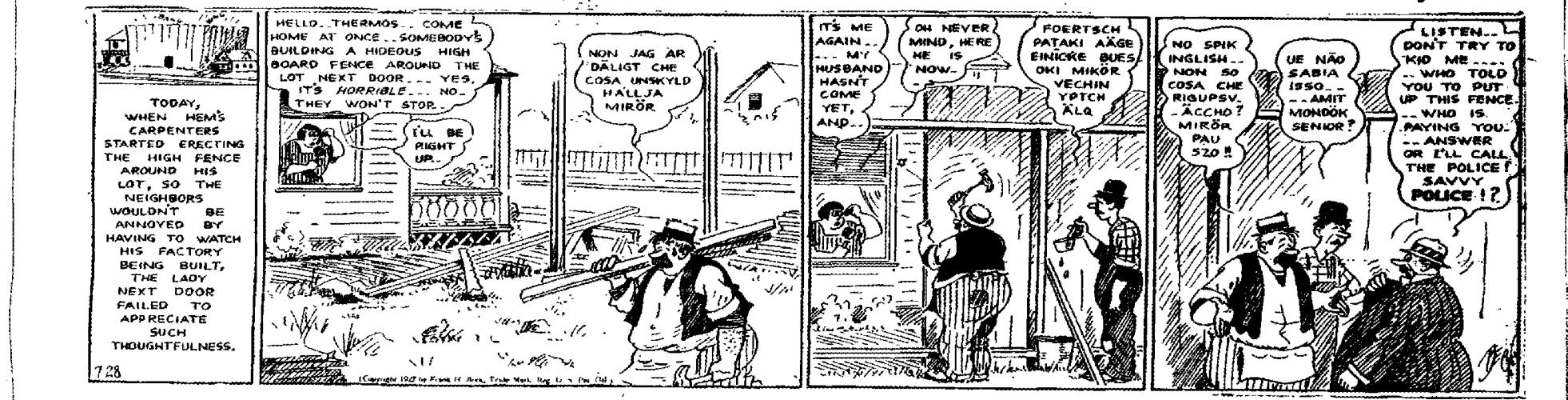
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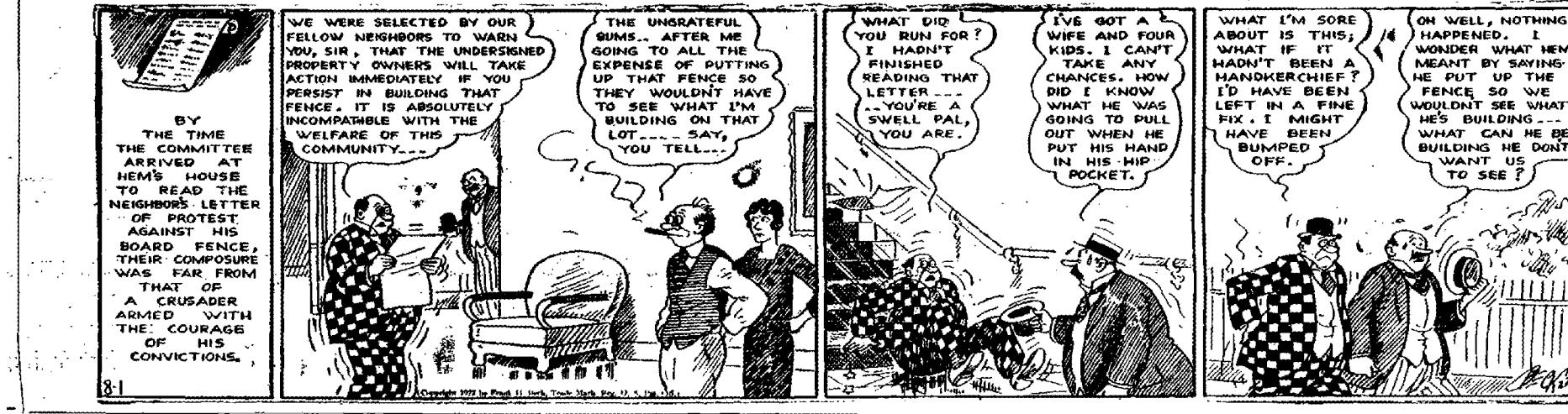


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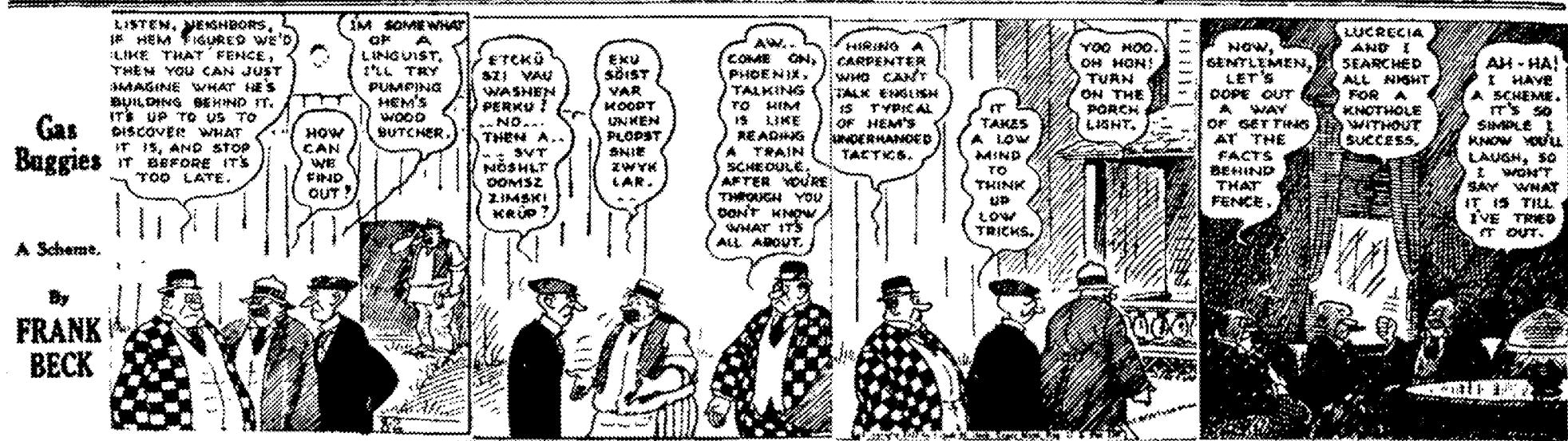


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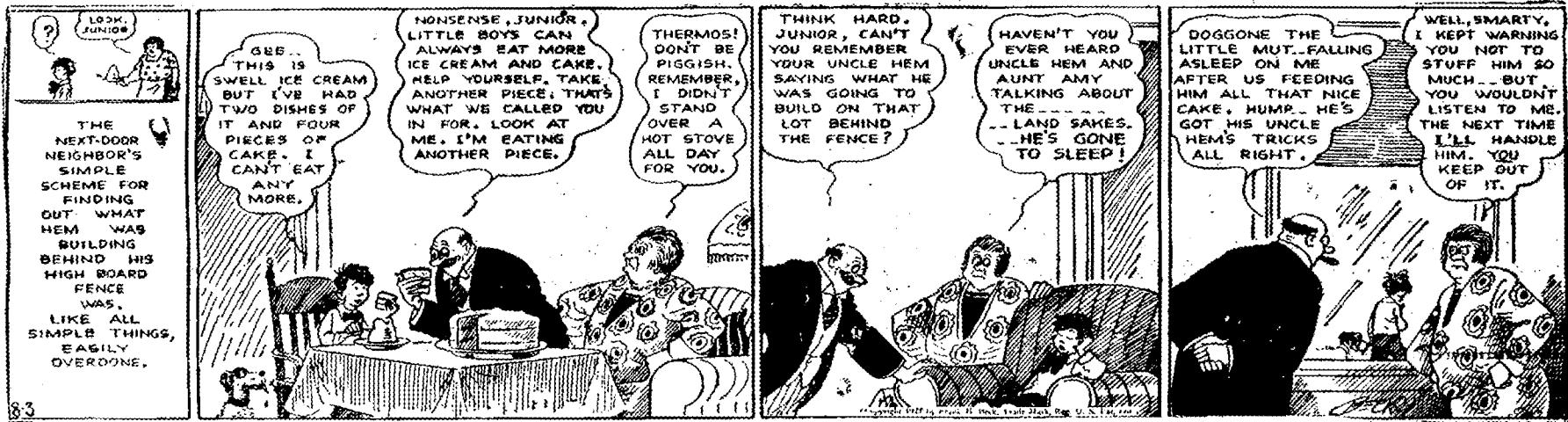


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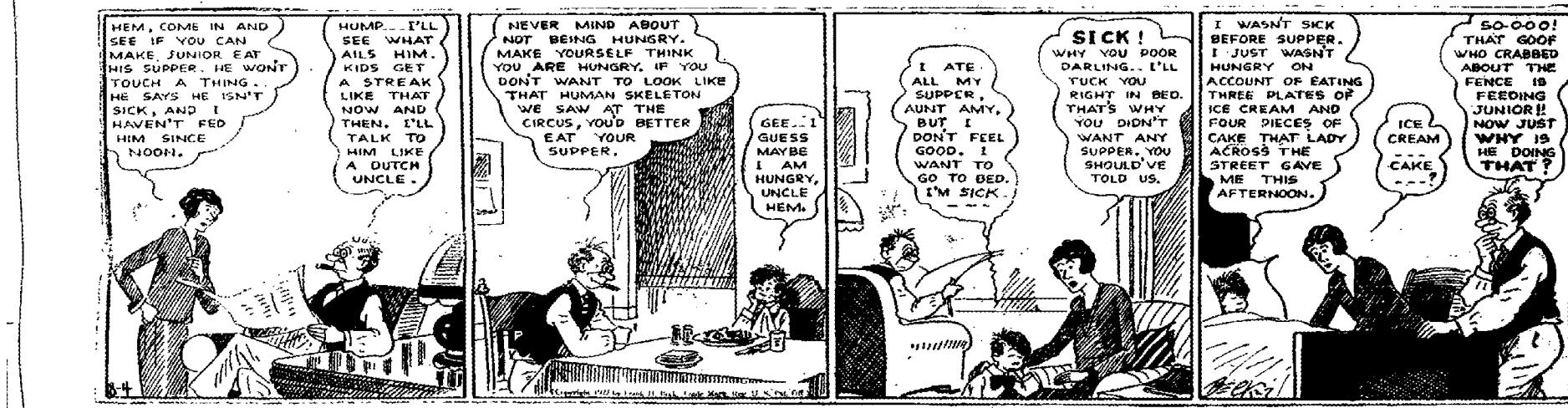


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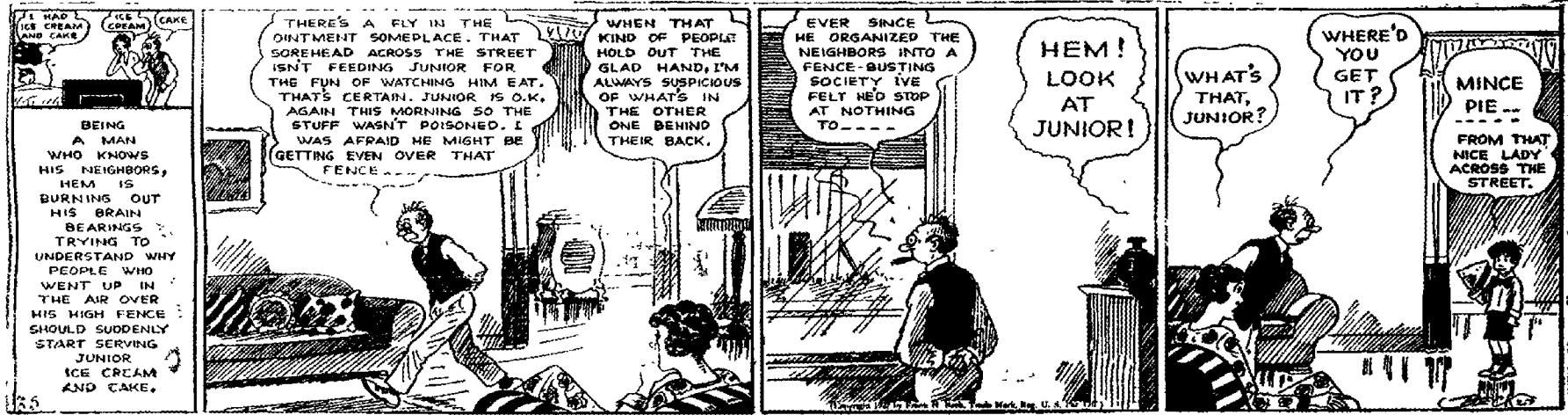
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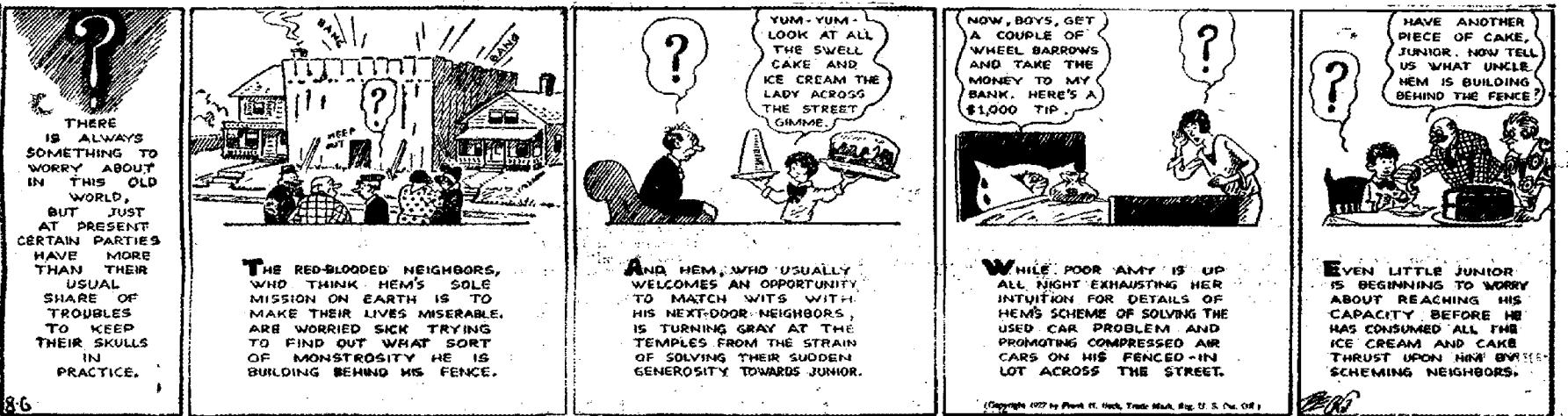


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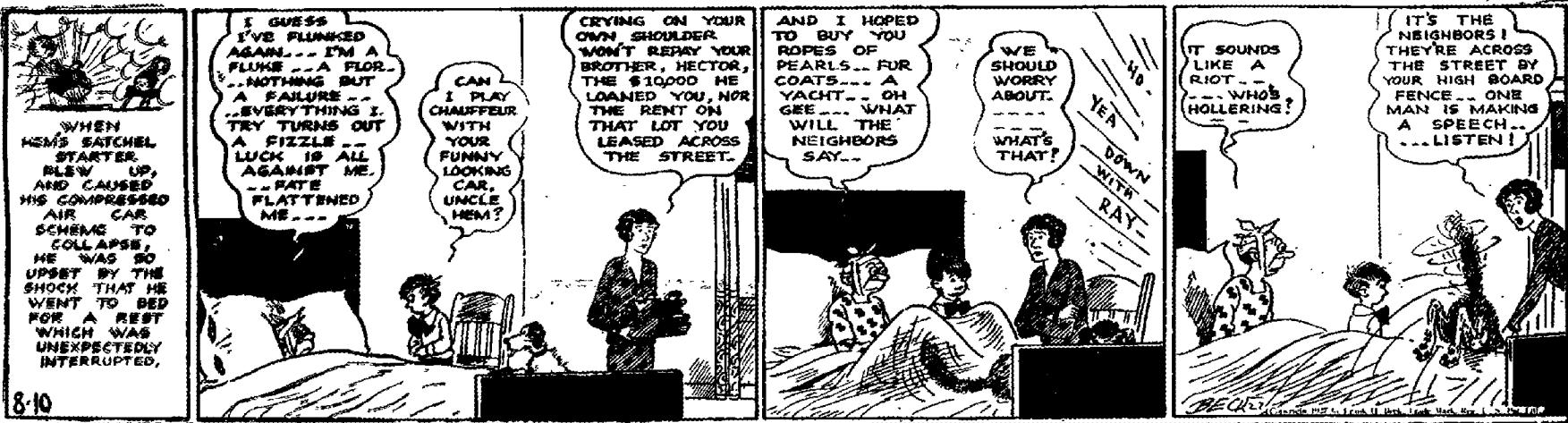


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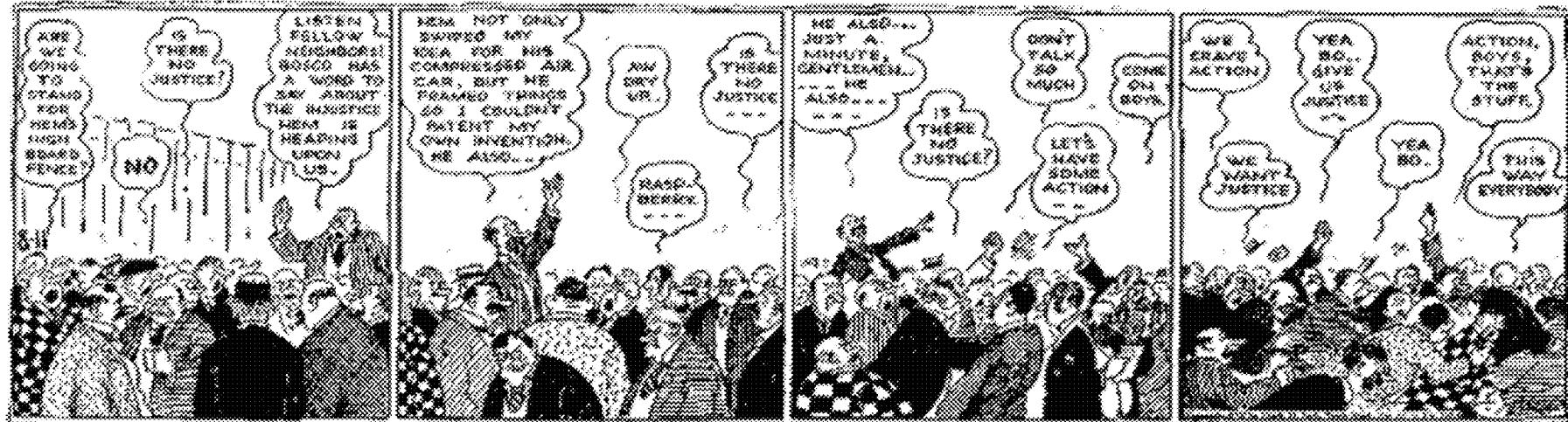
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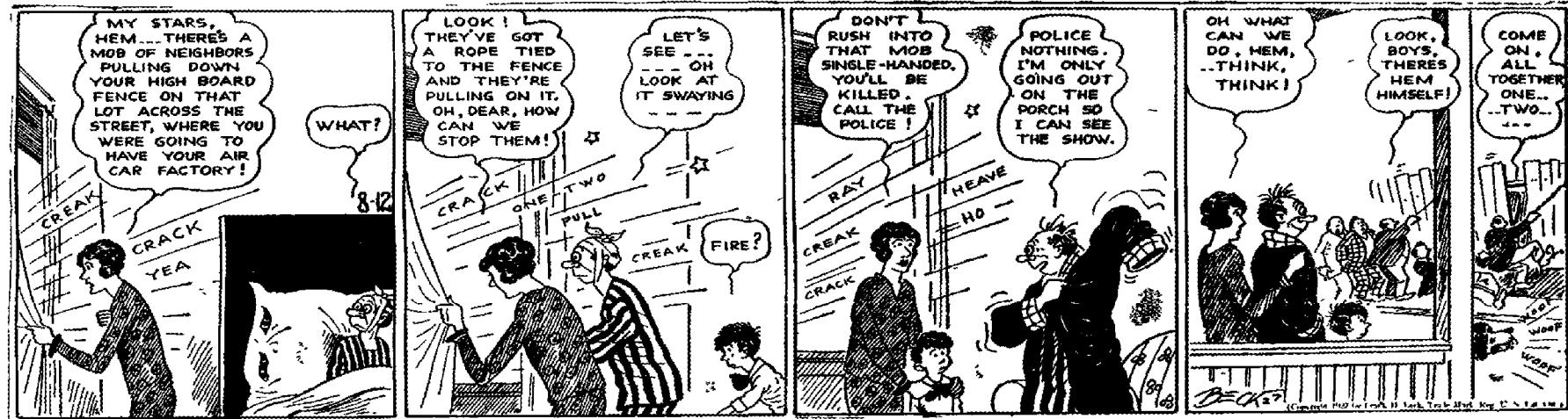


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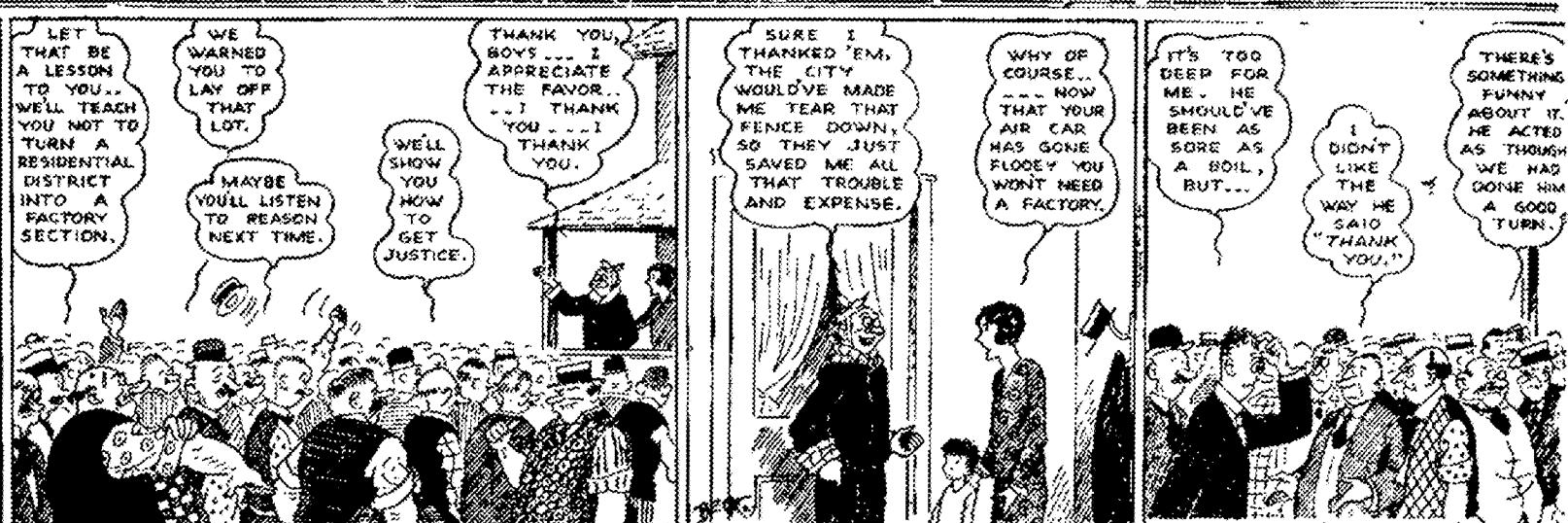
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Thanks,
Boys.

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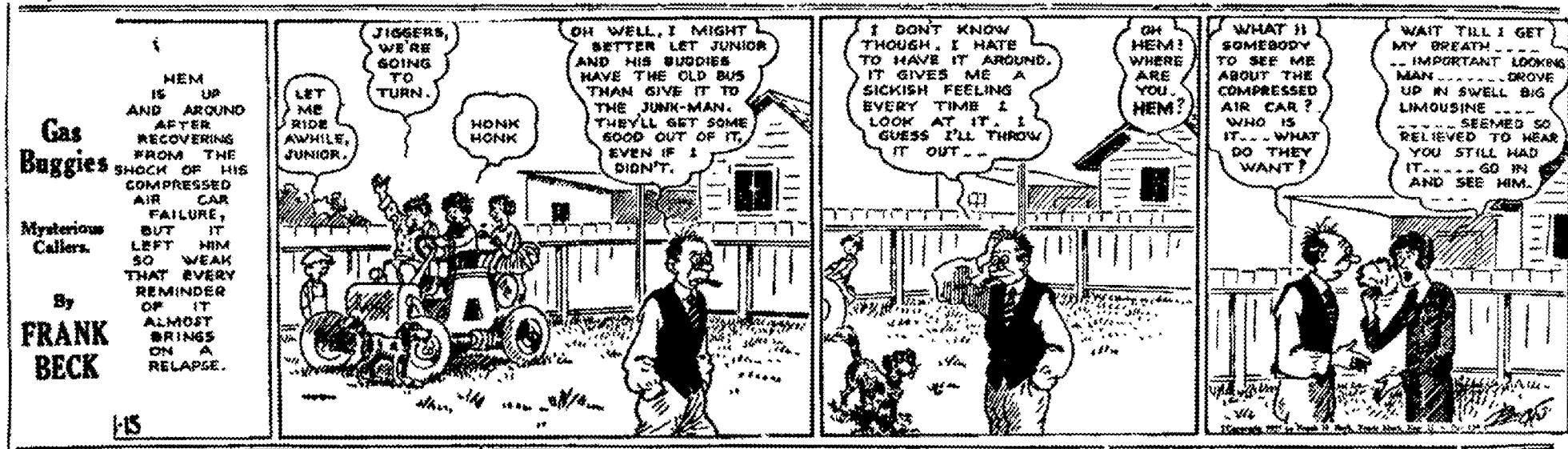
AFTER THE INDIGNANT NEIGHBORS TOOK JUSTICE INTO THEIR OWN HANDS, AND PULLED DOWN THE HIGH FENCE HEM HAD BUILT AROUND THE LOT TO HIDE HIS COMPRESSED AIR CAR FACTORY, THEY WAITED TO HEAR THE LIONS ROAR.

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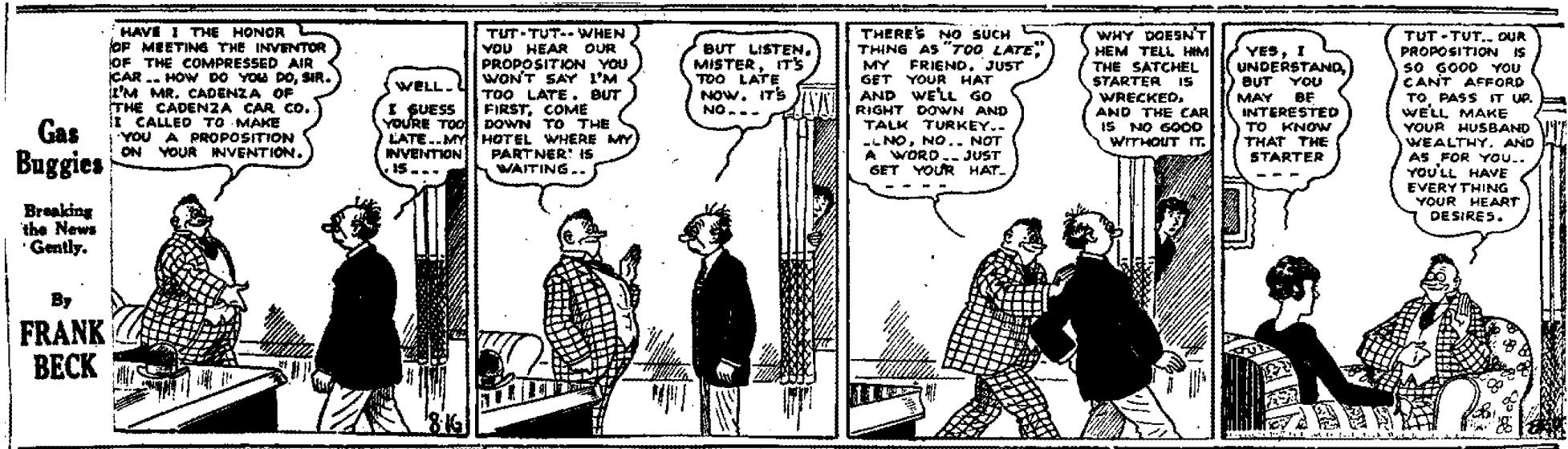


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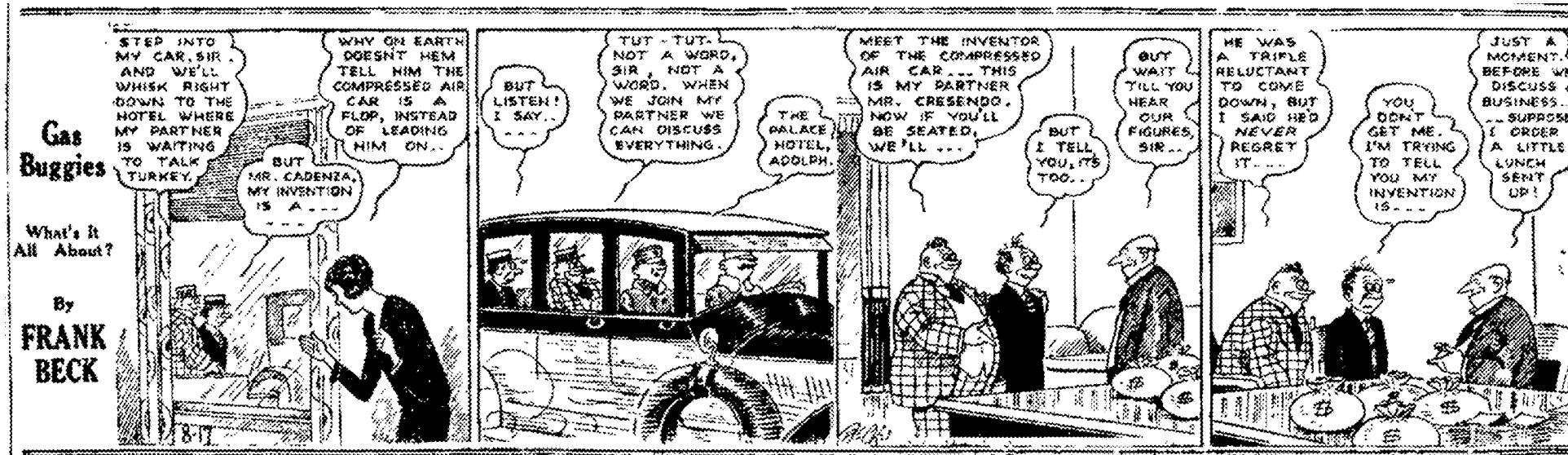


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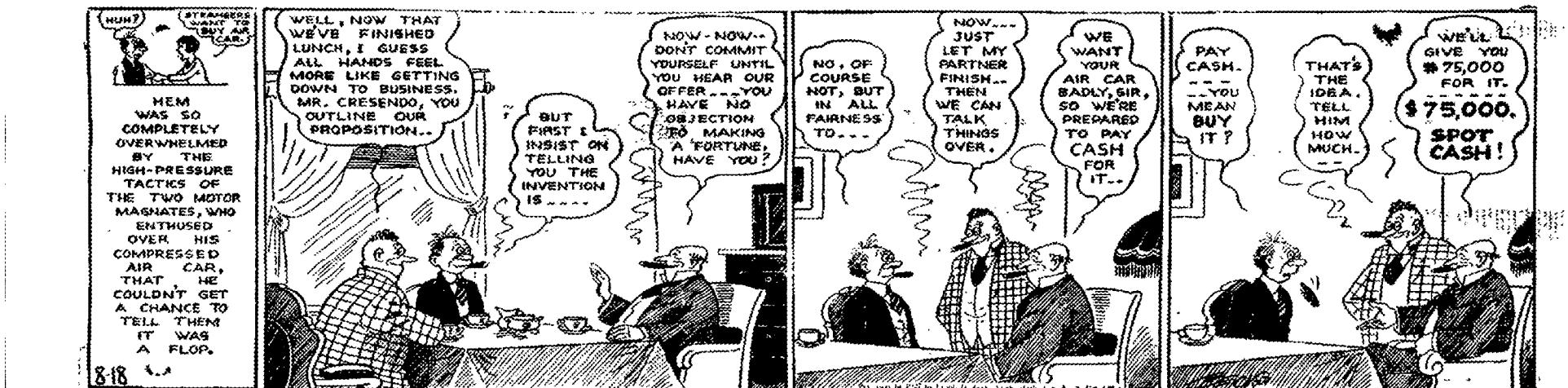
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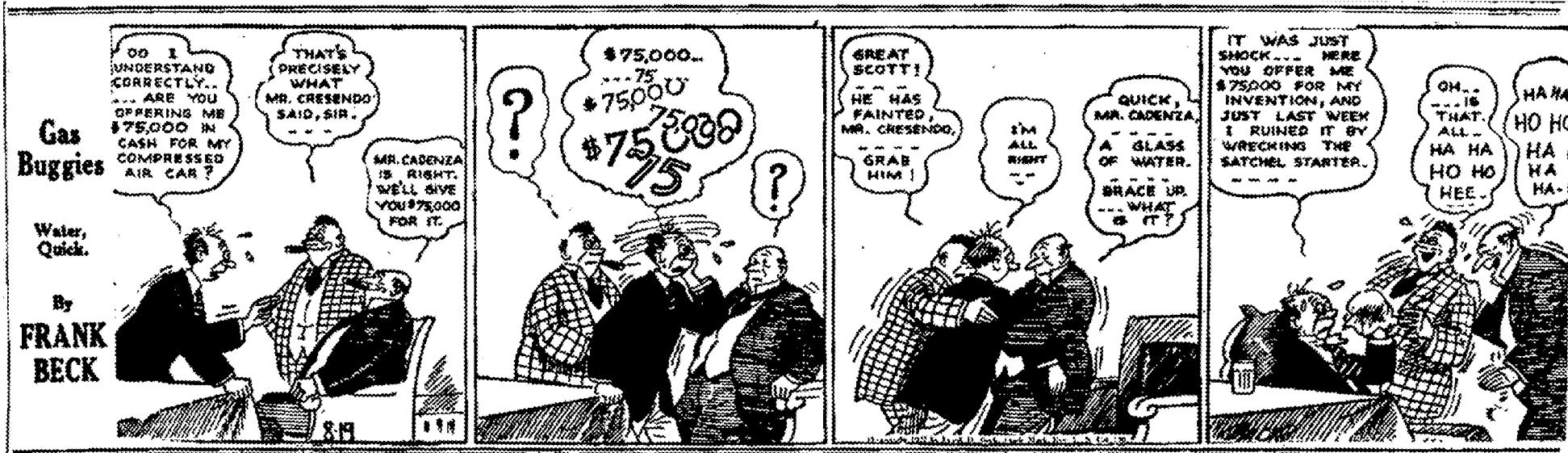
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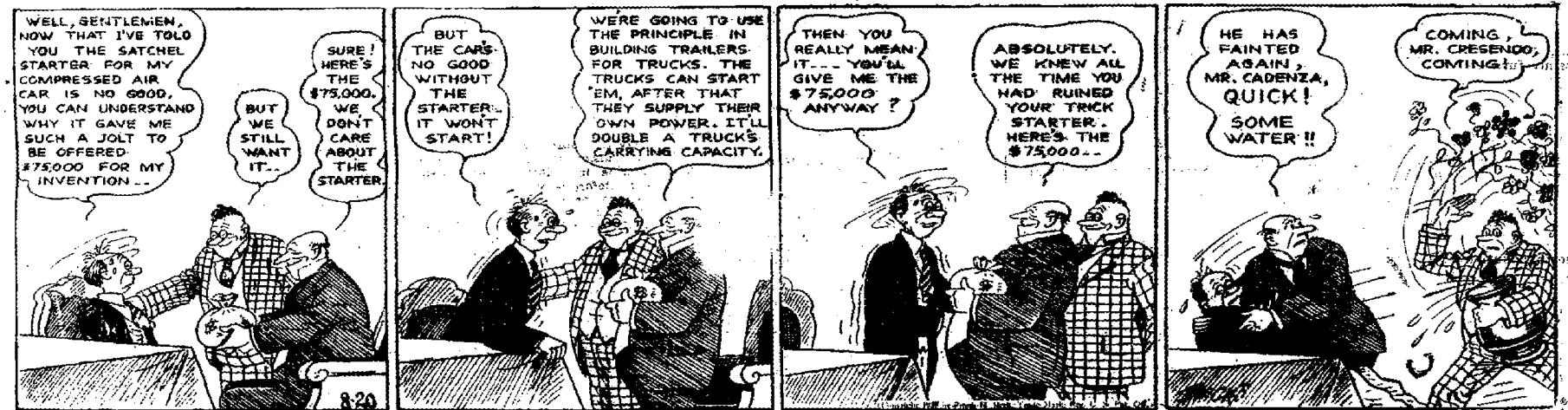
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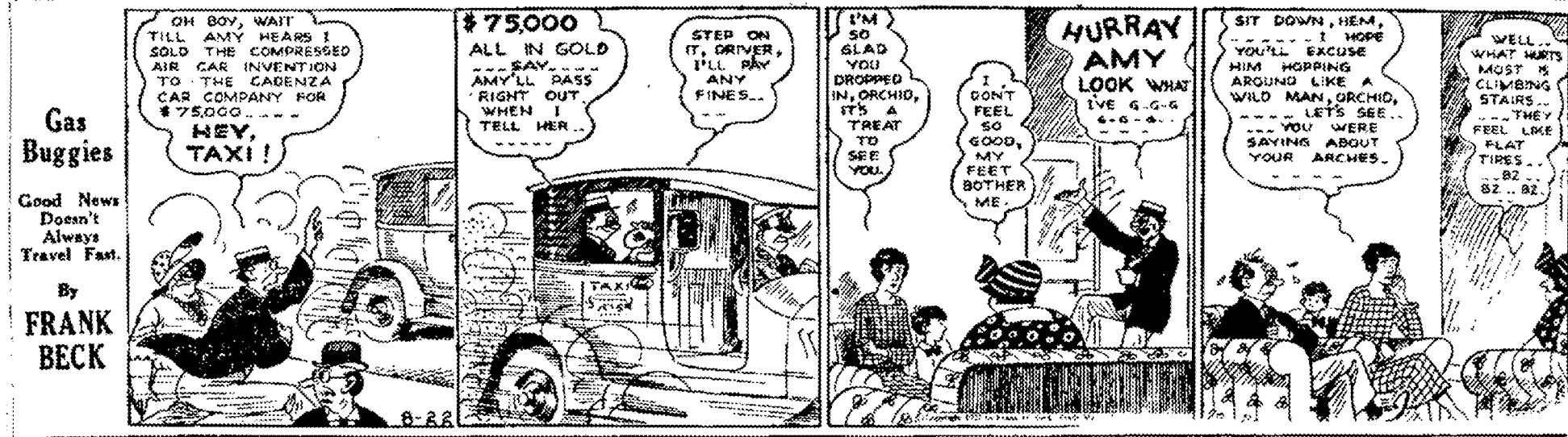
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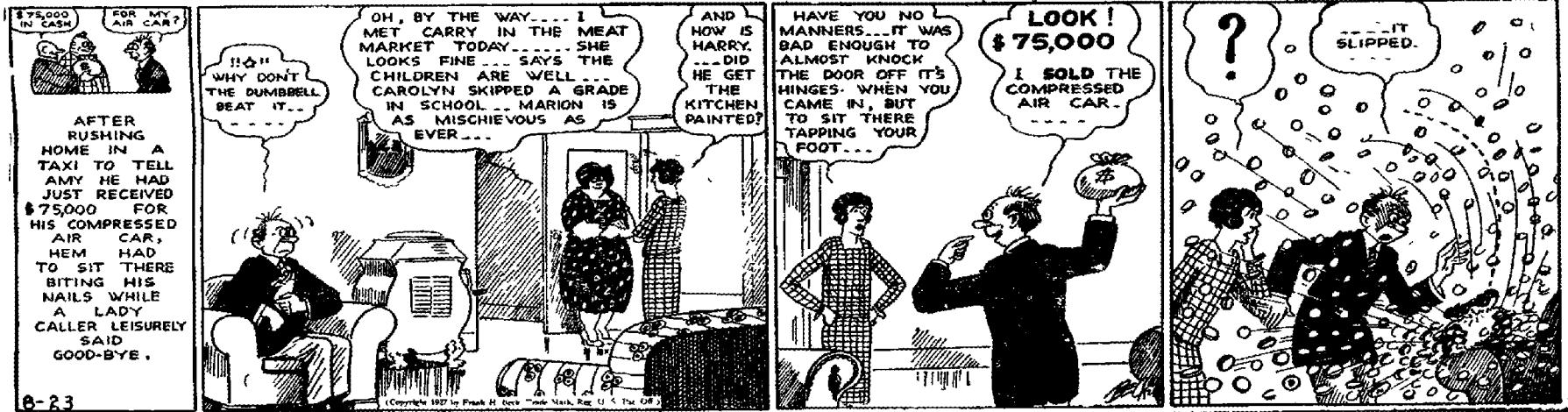
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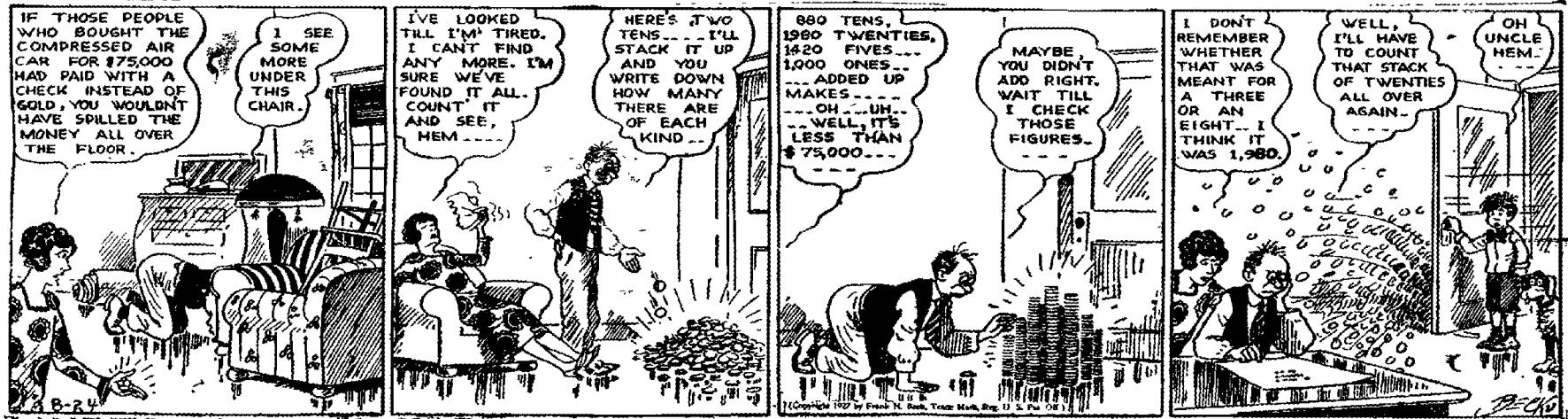
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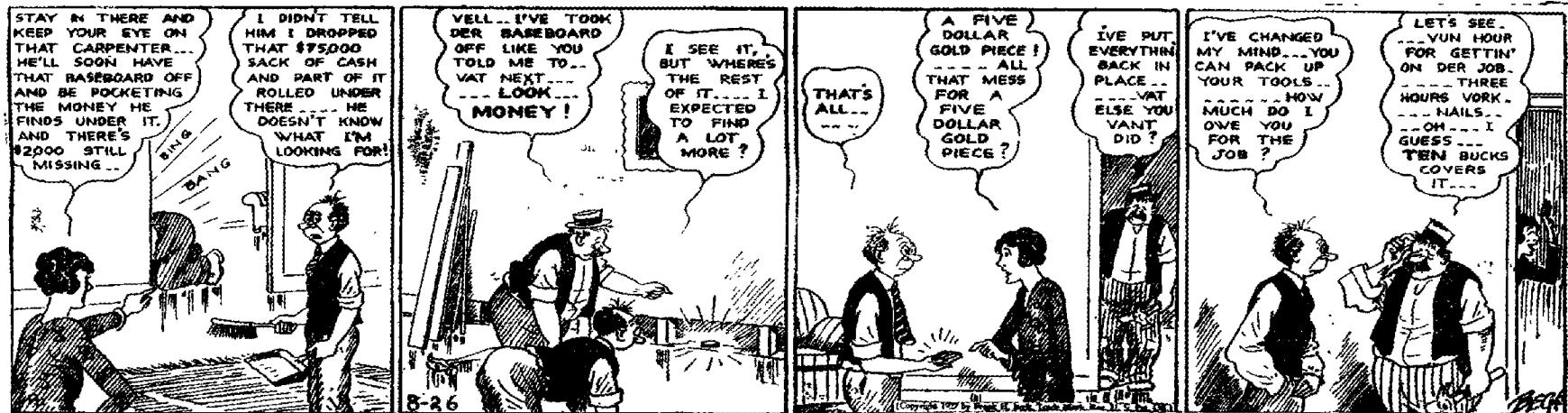
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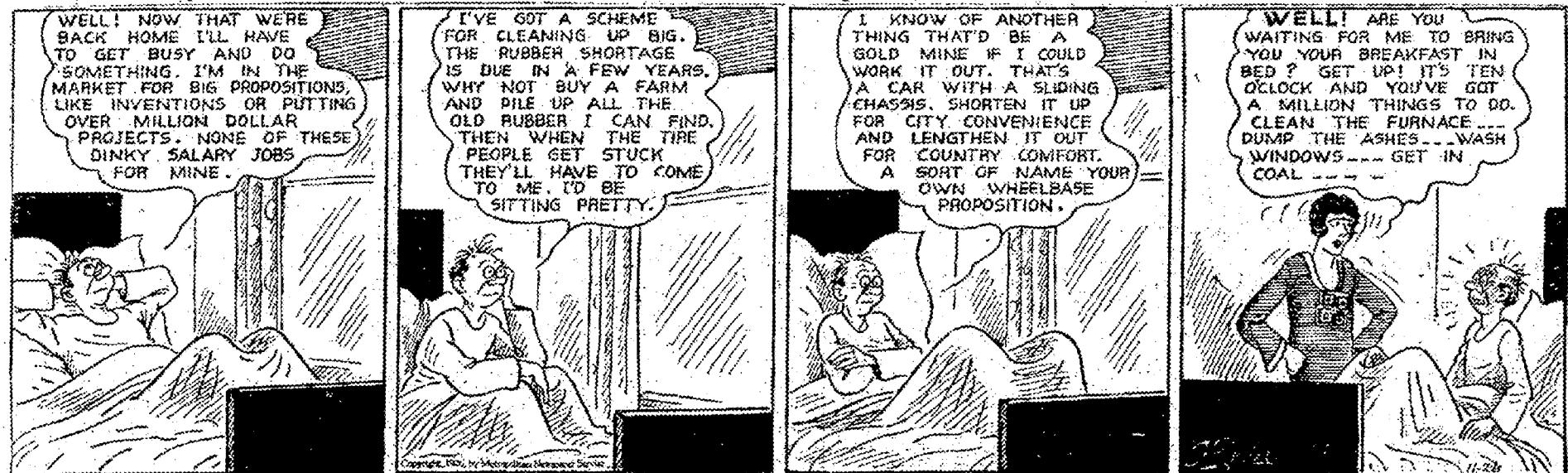


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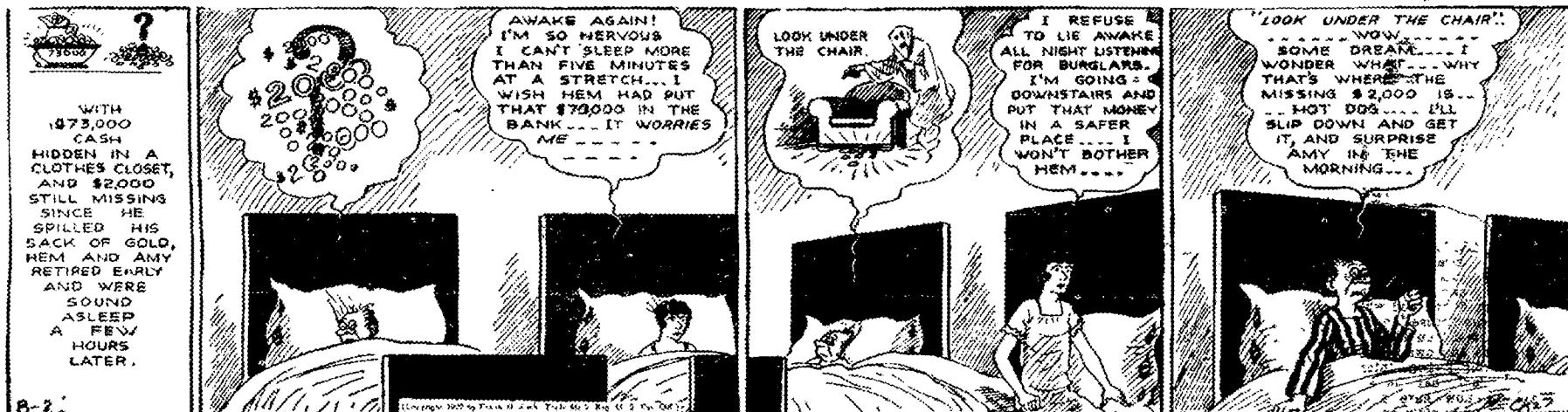
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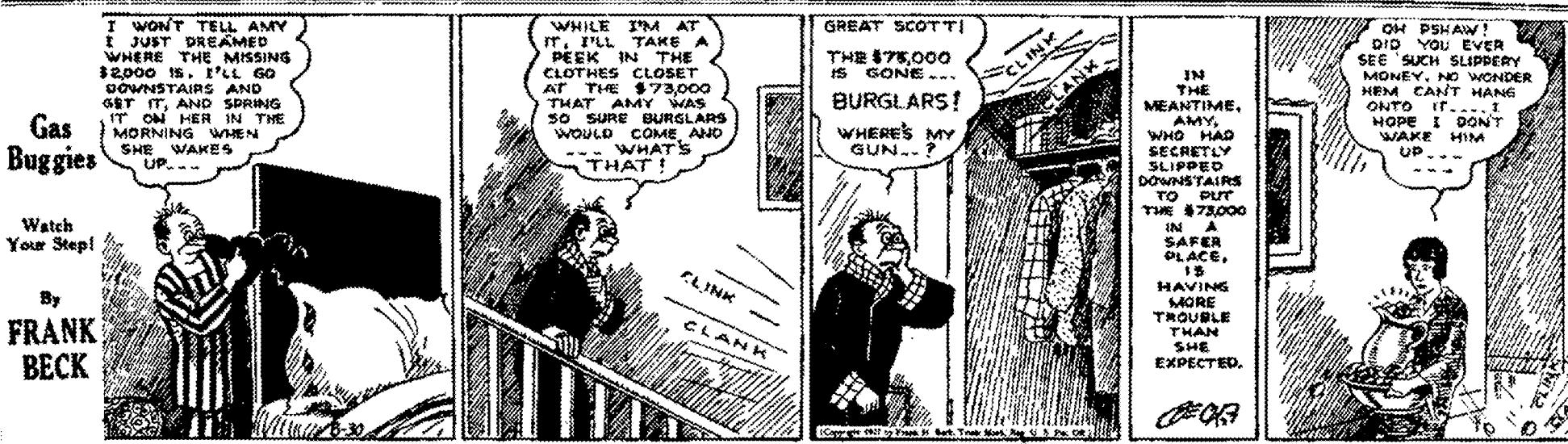
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Watch
Your Step!

By
**FRANK
BECK**



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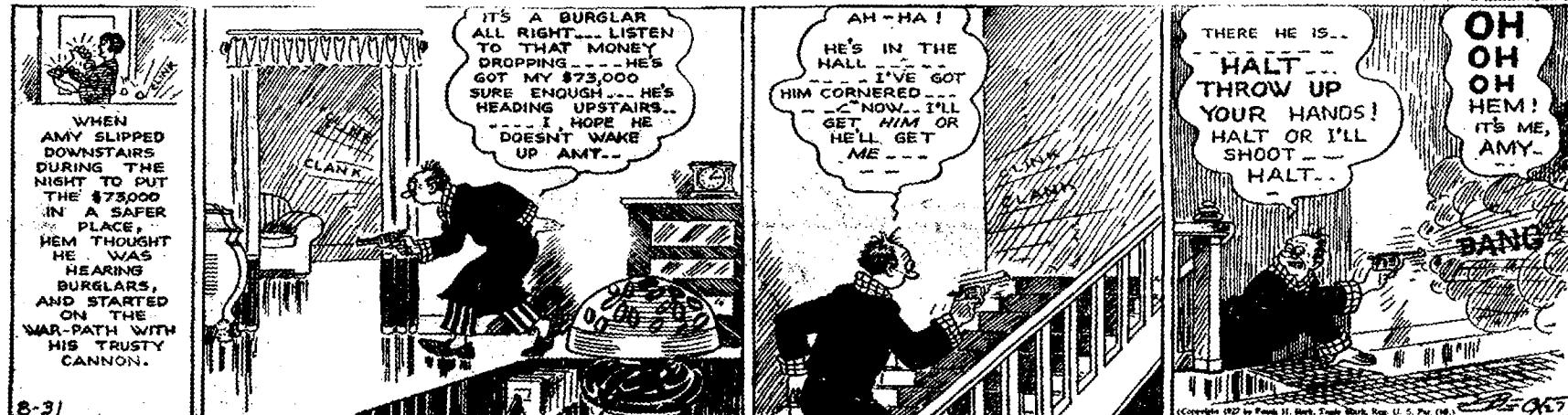
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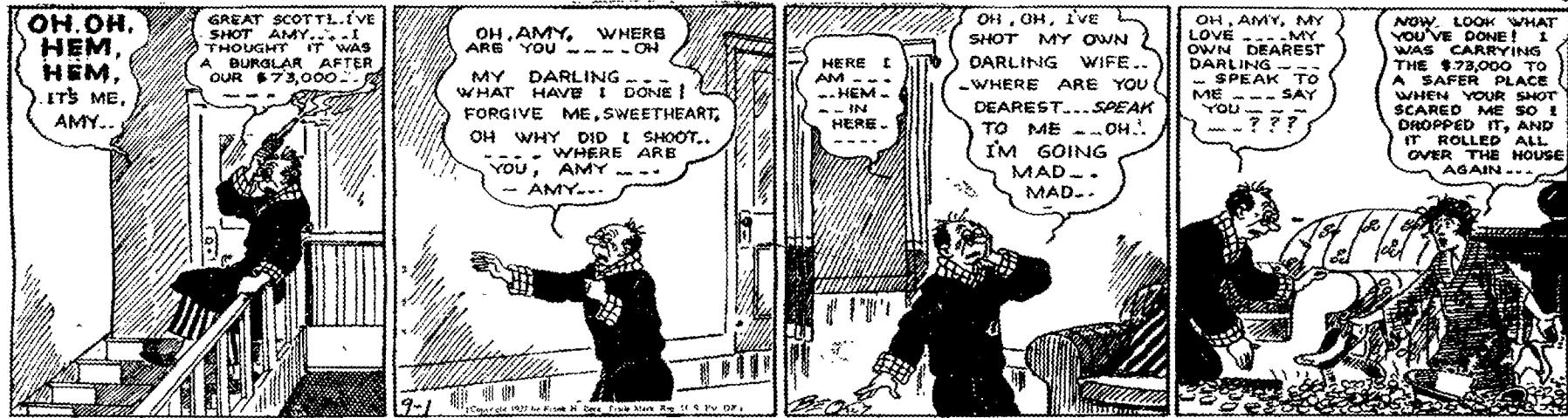


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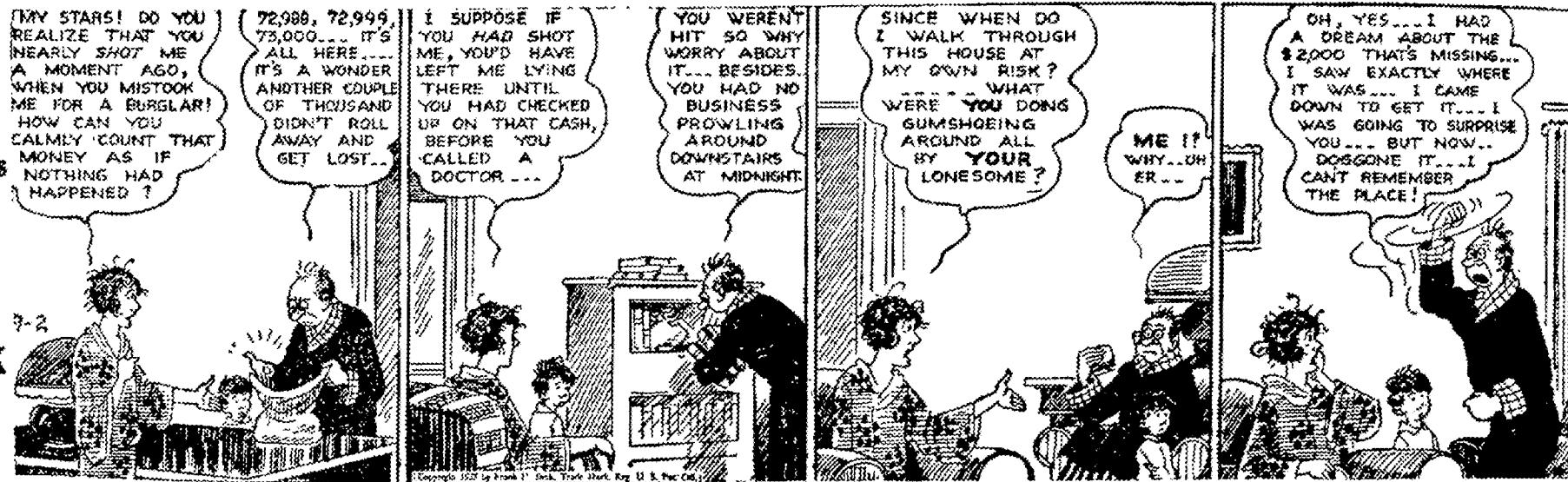
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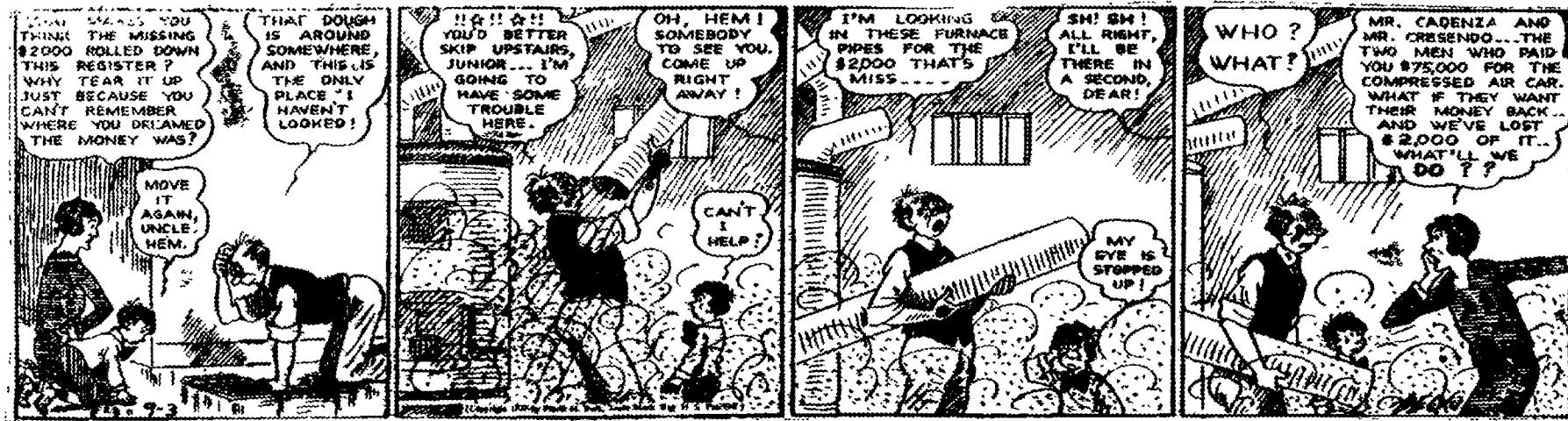
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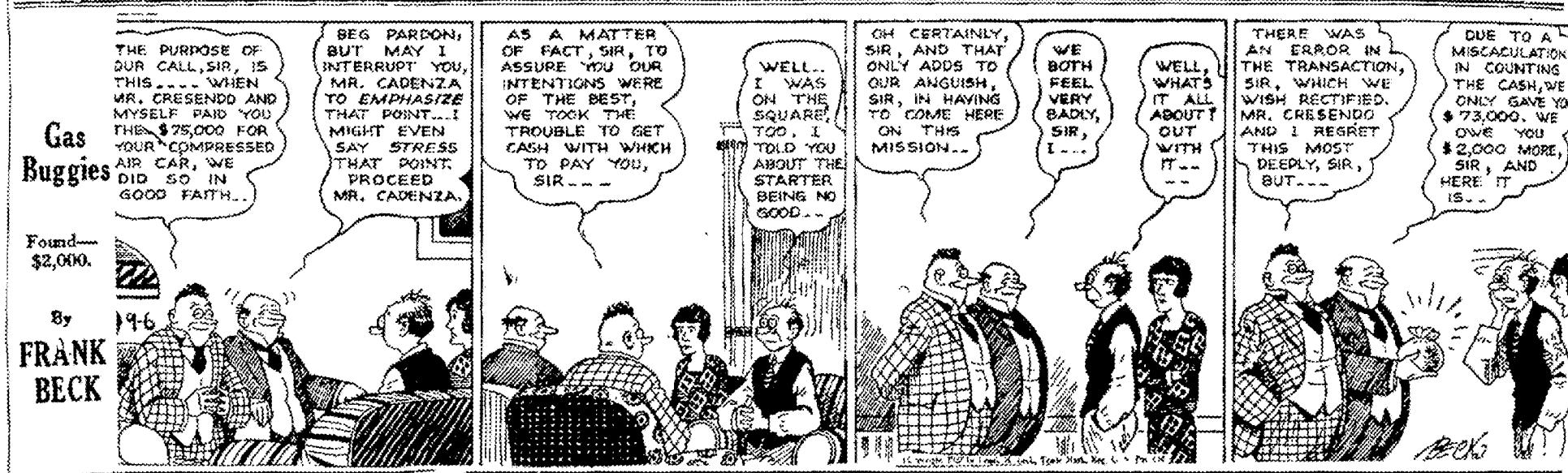


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September 6, 1927

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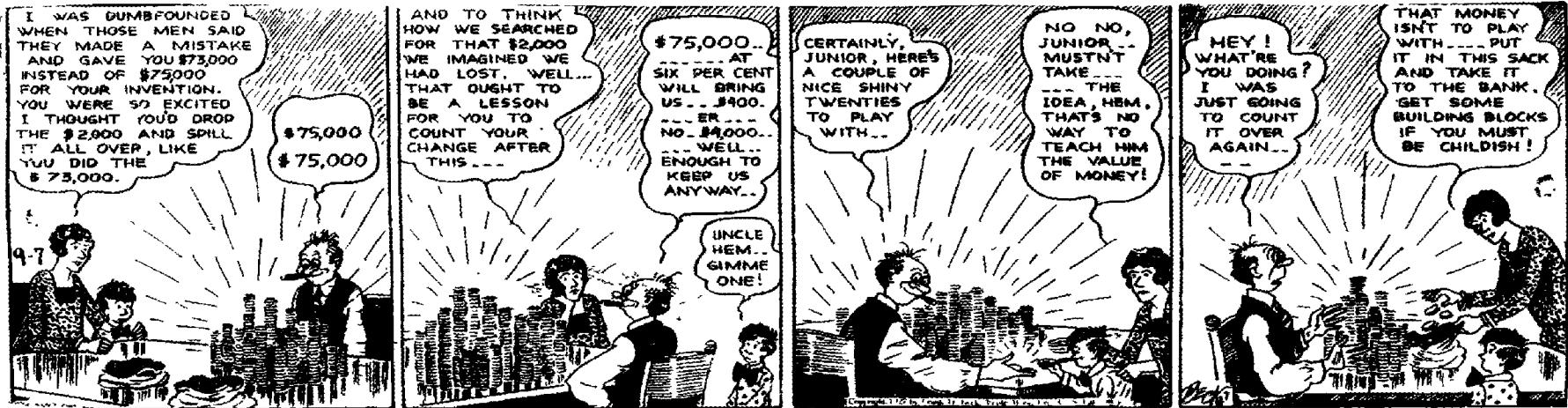
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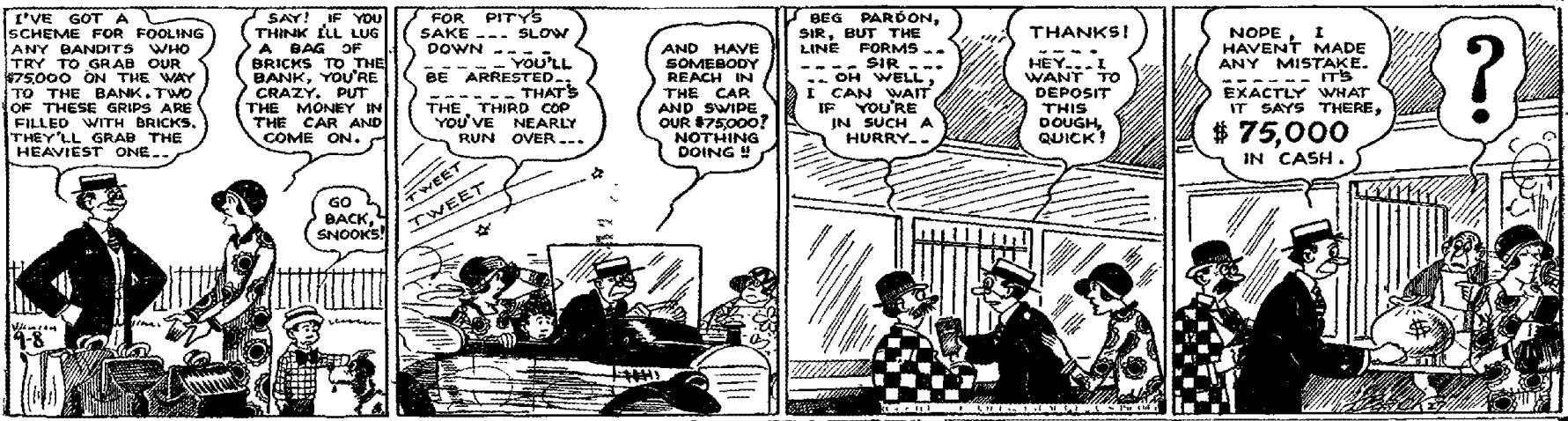


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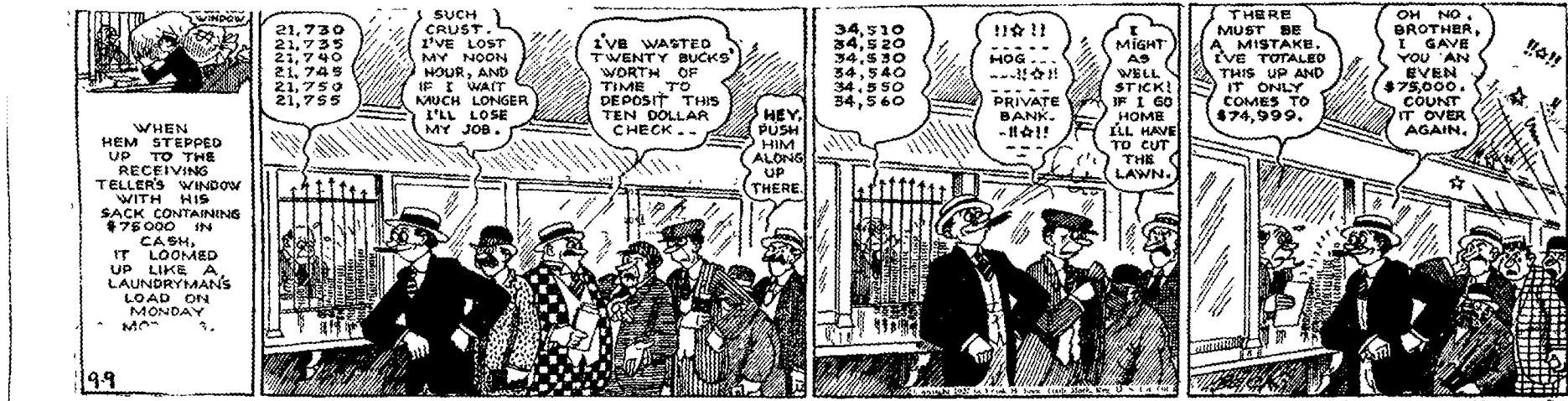


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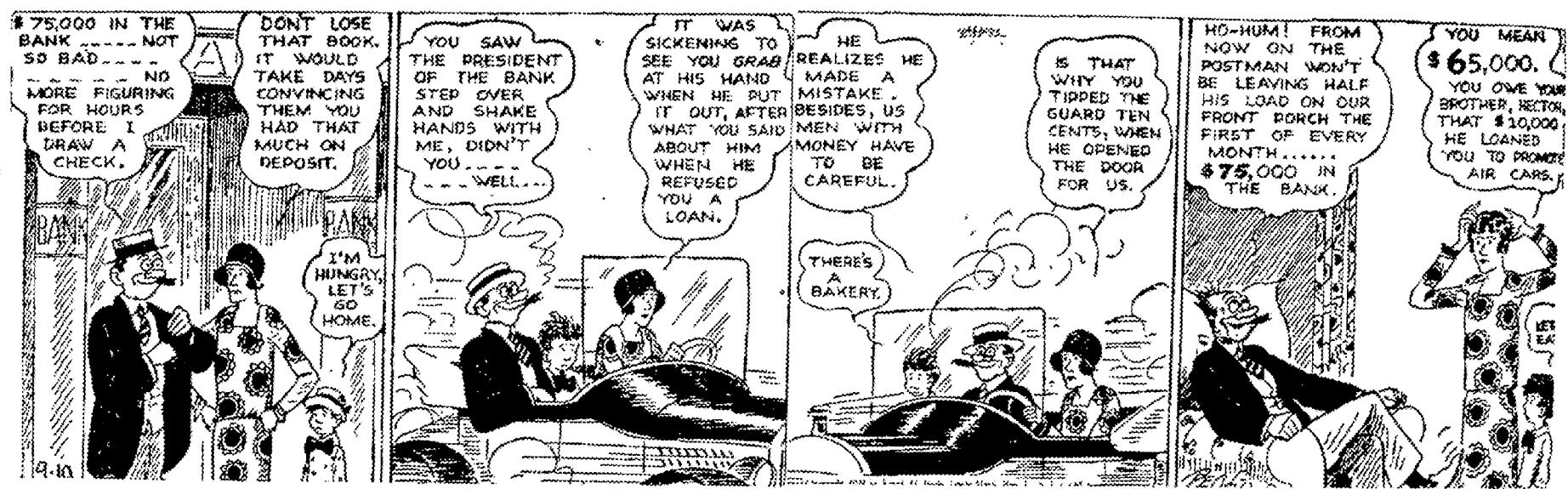
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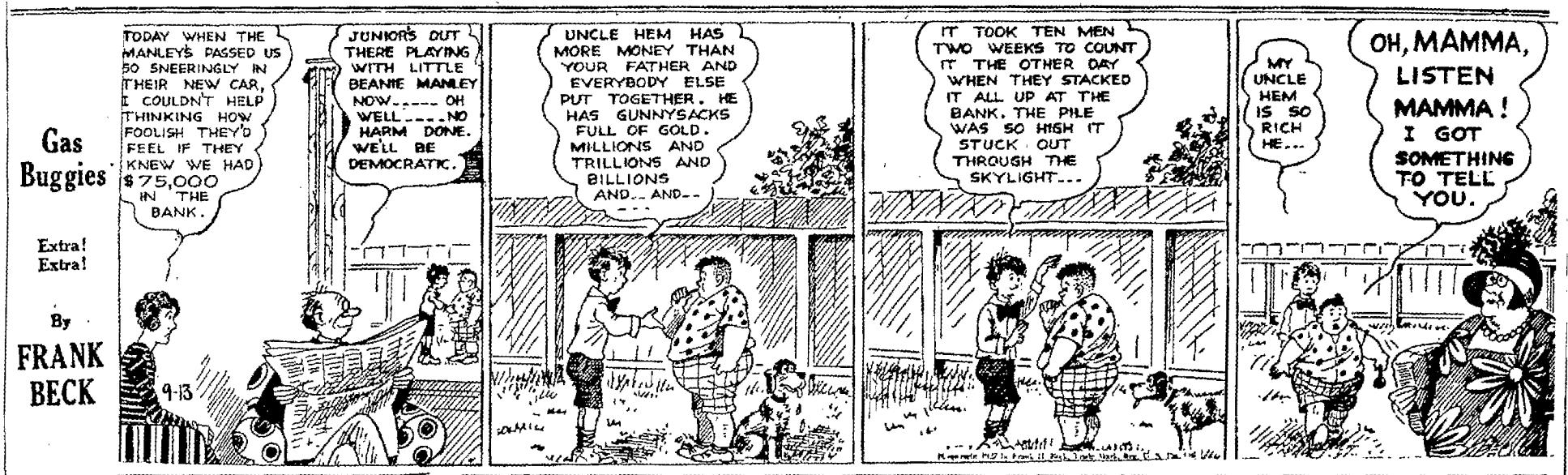


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Private Capital?

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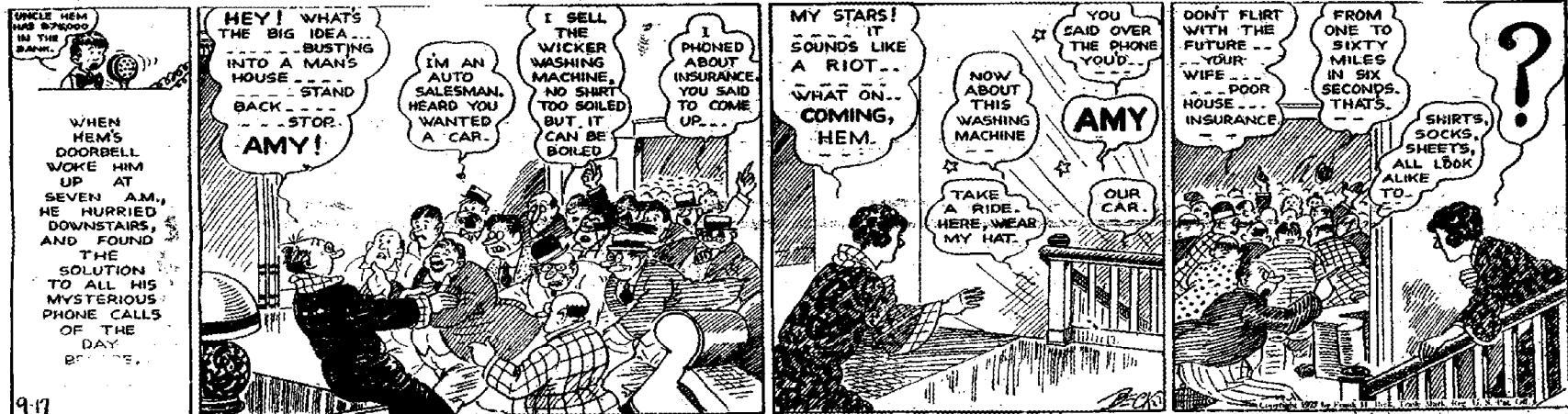
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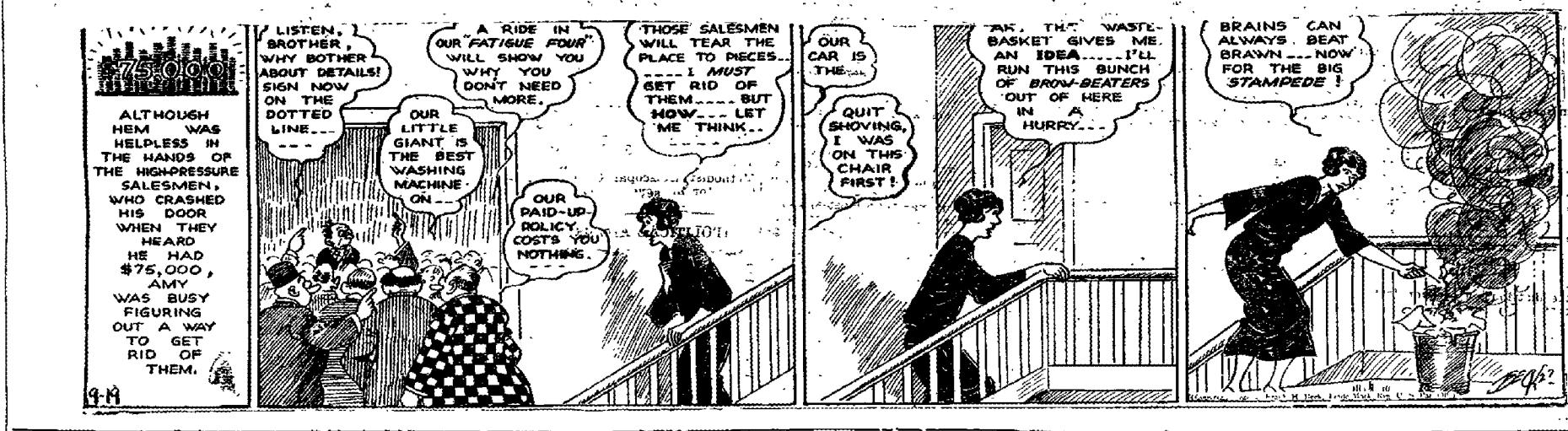
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